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LEUCOCORYNE IXIOIDES ODORATA

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"There are no ancient
Gentlemen but Gardeners."
—Shakespeare.



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SPRING FLOWERS IN WINTER

For me there is no rarer thing
Than while the winter's lingering
To taste the blessedness of spring.
—CHARLOTTE FISKE BATES.

SPRING in winter! Surely a phrase, this, to conjure with—or to set one diligently sorting and cleaning pots and flats and turning the pages of catalogues. For why, after all, should the first white frost write "finis" across the summer's happy experience of flower enjoyment? We have seen with sadness the last rosebud seared before it could unfold, the last valiant little autumn Crocus vanquished. And what is ahead of us? Winter and rough weather. No flowers. But in their stead, rain, sleet, wind and snow. Ah, but this sad case need not be ours! If we are wise and a bit forehanded we may face the long stretch of gloomy weeks assured of as great a luxurience of flowers as surrounded us during the summer. And, moreover, they may be of our own growing.

The very first thing we must do is to give up expecting nothing of the winter season but sharp winds and lowering skies. We must expect flowers instead. not a few, by any means, but a riotous profusion of them, all colors and scents and textures, enough to create spring in the midst of winter. That is the first step towards giving ourselves two springs instead of one, and who, I wonder, but would go to a deal of trouble to bring about such a delicious phenomenon?

As a matter of fact, however, very little trouble is required, and less time. An enchanting winter garden is soon made. A few genial autumn days devoted to

the pleasant task of stowing away the large and small bulbs and corms and tubers in the soft earth of the pots or flats, or into bowls of fiber—and the trick is done, a train of delightful events set in motion that will carry us blithely along a blossomy path until the bluebird flashes in the orchard trees and "Daffodils begin to peer" in the garden borders.

With good management there need be no interruption at all of the gay sequence of flowers right round the calendar. By the time the last Chrysanthemum has succumbed in the garden there should be innumerable pots and pans and flats in the greenhouse lively with young green shoots and many already showing flowers. By Thanksgiving Day the fragrant Paperwhite will be in bloom in quantities, as well as their vellowflowered prototype, Grand Soleil d'Or, whose fragrance is more delicate and so more acceptable to some who object to the heavier scent of the Paperwhite. make a charming effect together. By Christmas we shall have many pots of the deliciously sweet Roman and French Hyacinths, Jacinthes de Paris, as they are called, not only the gleaming white ones, but delicate pink. soft lavender-blue and one a most delectable Naples vellow. Chinese Lillies are also to be had very early. and Lily of the Valley, and Freesia, and the heavenly blue Irises, with many more lovely things. To fill the house with home grown flowers at Christmas time is a very delightful thing to do.

There are few more enchanting places, it seems to me to be visited on a winter day, than a greenhouse full of flowering bulbs. Beyond the glass, separated from us merely by this frail transparent barrier, the snow sweeps upward to meet the gray low-hung sky. Icicles hang from the stark branches, bitter winds beat and sigh. Against this winter landscape one sees, seemingly by some magic intervention, ranks and ranks of

tender spring flowers gleaming in the sharp light of Here are Daffodils bursting into golden bloom. Freesias hanging out their lemon-scented tubes, opulent Hyacinths, lavender and violet, snow-white and satin-pink, Tulips unfurling brilliant pointed buds. towering noble Lilies. The air is warm and genial; the air is moist and full of fragrances. Altogether it is a place to linger in. There is a very special delight in this seeming paradox of spring flowers and snow, perfume and icy winds, these manifestations both of heat and bitter cold simultaneously perceived. And surely at no other season do flowers seem to us so precious and so necessary to our happiness. They are the gay defences we set up for ourselves against the inclemencies without, against the gloom that is inherent in the winter season

And so for this reason if for no other we should grow a great many of them, enough to permit of their overflowing from the greenhouses into our homes, to line the window ledges and fill the rooms with sweetness and delicious color. Daffodils will be wanted in great numbers, for these make sunshine whatever the weather without may be up to. For a long succession we make choice from the different groups, early, mid-season and late, ending with the frosted Poet's varieties, the latest of all. Some especially choice things to try this fall would be the lovely light yellow trumpet Daffodil, Tresserve, or the superb and bold Olympia, belonging to the same class. Duke of Bedford is superb when forced and what a truly lovely creation is Spring Glory. both of these bi-color Trumpets of the first order. Bedouin and Lucifer make gorgeous color, and Nannie Nunn, among the Barris, is not to be surpassed for sprightly brilliance. In the pale, sweet-scented Leedsii class few are lovelier than Hera and Lord Kitchener. And while we are planting Daffodils to force it should not be forgotten how delightful are pots closely planted with the small bulbs of that graceful variety, February Gold.

Few persons realize how effective for forcing are pots of fat Dutch Crocuses. When planted "touching" in the wide low pans they make gorgeous blobs of fine clear color and last well.

Tulips forced have a special grace and distinction. Often their colors are softened or heightened, as the case may be. by the artificial process to which they are subjected, so that they do not appear the same flowers we knew in the spring borders out of doors.

The Darwins display the rich hues of Oriental embroideries; the Breeders show the most exciting and intriguing color-schemes; the colors of the May or Cottage varieties are frank and clear, and their habit is full of grace. Delightful associations of Tulips may be brought together in the greenhouse just as in the garden. Let us imagine a mass of that rich purple variety, The Bishop, for instance, with Ronald Gunn as a foreground, and to lift the spirit of the whole, so to speak, a few pots of the gay and sweetly fragrant Dido. Or we might associate the noble Bacchus with Moonlight, with a few pots of the soft toned William Copland and here and there a sheaf of the silver-pink Aphrodite. And so on ad infinitum.

It must not be forgotten that bulbs forced in a greenhouse are on parade as they never are in a garden. There is not the great masses of foliage, of other objects. of the distance, to distract attention from them. They stand before us solely upon their own merits. And so we must use only the finest bulbs procurable if the flowers are to stand the test of their isolation. Many other delightful things may be forced besides those enumerated and will add greatly to the sum-total of the winter's joy. Anemones are to be had, and Spanish and other bulbous Irises, all sorts of Lilies that may be brought into bloom at any time they are wanted, Scillas, Chionodoxas, Tuberoses, Muscaris, Ixias and Nerines, and more. Certainly with all these we shall be ready when the earth

Tips gently in its ceaseless whirl, and stars Glide on their Winter courses. Soon the sleet Will dance across the frozen grass. The snow Will pile small soundless drifts across the ledge Of this, our window.

-John T. Scheepers.

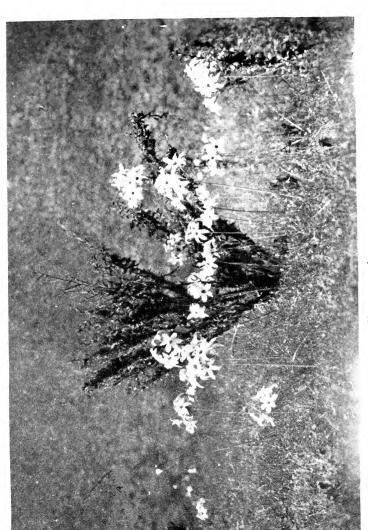


Meritorious Novelties

As the result of our financial participation in the plant collecting expedition by Mr. Clarence Elliott into Peru, Chile and the Andes, we have been indeed fortunate to contract for the exclusive rights of distribution of all the rare and meritorious bulbous plants discovered by this explorer, one of which we are now introducing.

Leucocoryne ixioides odorata is considered to be one of the most important discoveries. The accompanying photograph shows it flowering in the wildernesses of the Andes Mountains. The first plants were brought to England where they were grown in the gardens of Baron de Rothschild. Exhibited for the first time on April 9, 1929, at the flower show of the Royal Horticultural Society of London, England, it created a sensation and was given an Award of Merit. We recommend this beautiful novelty to your consideration.





Our Exchasive Inproduction
"Lehcocoryne ixiodes odorata"
or "Chory of the Sun" - growing wed in Chile
as discovered by our collector, Mr. Clarence Elliope



A RARE NOVELTY LEUCOCORYNE IXIOIDES ODORATA

(Glory of the Sun)

Description by our collector:

"This lovely bulbous plant was quite one of the most beautiful of the many beautiful things I saw on my recent plant collecting expedition in Chile and the Andes, 1927-1928, and of all the things I secured and sent home, it promises to be one of the most valuable as a garden plant. The bulb is about the size of a Snowdrop bulb, and the foliage is thin and insignificant. The flowers appear after the leaves, and are carried on erect wirv stems 18 inches high. They closely resemble the flowers of Chionodoxa lucilliæ (Glory of the Snow) —the same size or even larger, the same beautiful blue color shading to a white center, but they are carried in a loose umbel or head of from three to six or seven: above all they are deliciously fragrant with a powerful almond scent. The plant has extraordinary charm and grace of habit, and is absolutely first rate as a cut flower. lasting a week or more in water. There is probably still a great deal more to learn about the culture of the plant. As to hardiness, I should place it about on the level with the Ixias. It might be grown in the open in very favored localities, if given a warm, well drained border at the foot of a south wall, and it will be well worth experimenting with in this way. Its chief use, however, will almost certainly be for the same treatment as Freesias, growing it in pots in a cool or temperate greenhouse for winter and spring flowering. planted here in October are coming into flower at the end of February in a temperature of 50 to 60 degrees.

Growers have flowered Leucocoryne very successfully under normal Freesia treatment. The after treatment should be the same as for Freesias, drying off completely when growth has finished, and the pots should be kept quite dry in a sunny greenhouse or frame in order to mature the bulbs with as much sun-roasting as possible!"—Clarence Elliott.

Our stock of bulbs is limited and we advise customers to place orders early. \$7.00 for 25, \$13.00 for 50, \$25.00 per 100.



"I placed it in the earth—this bulb of mine— And from its narrow prison-house of night It struggled forth to reach the air and light;

And as it rose and blossomed to the sight,
Its absolute perfection seemed divine!"
—ISIDORE G. ASCHER, in "105 Sonnets."





GLADIOLUS TRISTIS CONCOLOR

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THE pale cream colored variety of the South African species Gladiolus tristis is the tallest and handsomest of the forms of this species. The plant is half hardy. grows splendidly in a cool greenhouse or conservatory. and flowers very freely. The blossoms are at their best in the evening when they exhale the powerful perfume with an odor like freesias. They blossom best from February to April indoors when planted in September to November. They can likewise be planted outdoors in well drained beds in November. They winter successfully and blossom in May if well protected by a heavy mulch. The bulbs are very small and all parts of the plant correspondingly so. The leaves are narrow. slender and rush-like. The flower stalks scarcely thicker than a lead pencil, two feet and more tall and bearing from three to six wide open graceful lily-like blooms about two to three inches across. The ideal cutflower. \$15.00 per 100.



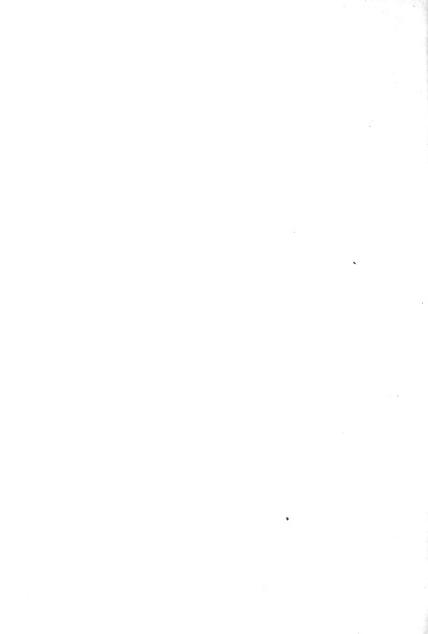
"SWEETGLADS"

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"HIS is a new race of hybrids derived from Gladi-I olus tristis. They have the same habit of growth with similar slender foliage, but the flowers are more bell shaped and are delicately pencilled with pale purple, brown or lavender. They are principally of interest because of their delicate perfume which unlike that of tristis and other varieties of Gladiolus, is given off equally strongly both day and night. The odor resembles that of violets and a small cluster of them will pleasantly scent up a whole room. The other parent of this race besides Gladiolus tristis is a rare species of which one bulb was received from South Africa four years ago. The name given it when received was obviously incorrect and it has been impossible to correctly name it since, but the species has a wonderful fragrance and has transmitted this to its offspring together with the interesting coloring. This parent species is still represented by only one bulb having made no increase but the hybrids between it and tristis are vigorous growers and in all respects the equal of tristis for indoor culture. This new race is now being propagated and will be available very soon. In order to fully protect the value of this new strain from unscrupulous competition, it is proposed that the bulbs of it will only be leased to the customers so that all of the stock wherever found will remain the property of the orig-Handled in this way there can be no question of price cutting and substitution since the title to all of this race will remain in the hands of one person and the disposal of any of it will only be under long term leases



ONE OF OUR "SWEETGLADS" HYBRIDS



from select agents direct to the customers. This fragrant race of winter growing Gladiolus is something entirely new and is very early flowering. Planted in September it will blossom freely throughout February.

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FORMAN T. McLean,
Supervisor of Public Education.
New York Botanical Gardens.

We consider ourselves most fortunate in having succeeded to contract with Dr. Forman T. McLean for the exclusive propagation and dissemination rights of such a very valuable new introduction. The corms of these new sweet scented Gladioli will be available for the first time in 1931 under the conditions set forth in Dr. McLean's preceding article. Advance orders will be accepted and they will be executed in the order in which they are received as of course, only limited stock will be available.



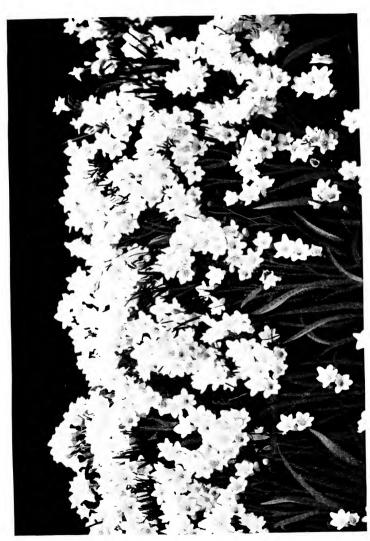
RANUNCULUS SCHEEPERS' SPECIAL STRAIN

This strain is undoubtedly the most beautiful of all Ranunculus. Light, feathery, poppy-like flowers, are artistically carried on elegant, wiry, tall stems. There is a great variety of beautiful pastel shadings, and of wonderful forms. Absolutely different from any other Ranunculus and far superior. Only limited stock available. \$29.00 per 100.



NEW FREESIA INTRODUCTION

FREESIA "ELDER'S GIANT WHITE." This new Freesia is another of our exclusive introductions. Large waxy white flowers of great substance, well over two inches in diameter of pleasing fragrance. A splendid keeper of healthy, upright growth produced on strong stems with bright green foliage. Only limited stock available. \$25.00 per 100.



Freesia "Giant White" Out Exclusive Introduction

FREESIAS

White Varieties

Purity. Only the Finest Improved Type of this Freesia is offered by us—we give you the choice of three sizes—recommending the medium size bulb as usually the most satisfactory for earliest forcing.

PURITY NUMBER ONE. \$7.50 per 100, \$18.00 per bag of

250, \$68.00 per 1,000.

Purity Number Two. \$6.50 per 100, \$15.00 per bag of 250. \$58.00 per 1,000.

PURITY NUMBER THREE. \$5.00 per 100, \$12.00 per bag of 250, \$45.00 per 1,000.

Colored Varieties

Buttercup. Extra fine, large flowering yellow. One of the earliest. \$25.00 per 100, \$60.00 per bag of 250.

California (Frey). Golden yellow—very prolific, producing strong tall spikes. \$8.00 per 100, \$19.00 per

bag of 250, \$75.00 per 1,000.

DOROTHY SCHEEPERS. Salmon-pink, deepening as it matures; very large wide open flower, tall grower; requires good support and an even temperature with plenty of light. An exceedingly beautiful Freesia. \$25.00 per 100.

ELIZABETH HASKELL. Fine light pink, large flower.

Strong healthy grower. \$25.00 per 100.

Golden Daffodil. This variety is in our opinion the best yellow Freesia and the earliest of all to bloom; may be had in flower easily before Christmas without undue forcing. Extra strong and vigorous grower. It is a deep golden yellow with light bronzy markings on outside. Received highest honors wherever exhibited. \$15.00 per 100, \$37.00 per bag of 250, \$145.00 per 1,000.

June Michelson. Fine rose-pink with yellow blotches. Attractive and distinct. Splendid grower. \$10.00 per 100, \$24.00 per bag of 250, \$90.00 per 1,000.

KATHERINE WATKINS. The flower of this variety is not so large but it is the Freesia "Par Excellence" for color. Beautiful salmon-buff; from four to six buds open at one time; grows nearly two feet tall. A great keeper, highly fragrant. A wonderful flower. \$25.00 per 100.

MARIE LOUISE FISCHER. Dark violet-blue, of the shade of Marie Louise Violet; tall, strong, healthy grower, making large, wide-open flowers; a very fine variety.

\$40 per 100.

MENDOTA. Giant yellow; desirable in every way. \$10.00 per 100, \$24.00 per bag of 250, \$90.00 per 1,000.

Mrs. Marc Peter. Deep rose-salmon with orange blotches giving a fine color effect; lovely salmon-pink with lively shadings. \$12.00 per 100, \$26.00 per bag

of 250, \$98.00 per 1.000.

MRS. CHAS. PIKE. Remarkably fine large white flower, wide open, with a one and one half inch band of reddish lavender running around its edge. Strong grower. Carries from eight to ten buds. Very fragrant. Splendid keeper. \$25.00 per 100.

SPLENDENS IMPROVED. Soft violet. \$10.00 per 100,

\$24.00 per bag of 250; \$90.00 per 1,000.

WISTERIA. A very fine lavender Freesia, which has created a sensation in European exhibitions. \$50.00 per 100.

Through the co-operation of our clients, we were enabled to carefully study results obtained in the forcing of Freesias in various localities. The consensus of opinion is that best results are obtained from early September plantings. Earlier plantings are not always satisfactory. October and later plantings have proven on the whole very satisfactory although the stems are somewhat shorter. We would recommend that Freesia bulbs be taken from the package immediately upon arrival, laid out on trays and allowed to remain in

a dry, airy place for a period of at least two weeks before planting.

Note: In some localities the water contains matter injurious to the proper development of the Freesia plant. We recommend the use of rain water.



From North and South, from East and West,
The Pride of every zone
The fairest, rarest and the best,
May all be made our own.

-WHITTIER

"Enter, wee sunbeams, doff your gilded caps and enter.
Sandaled with silence, come into this quiet place.
Here we have put exotic beauty to entice you—
You who may dance in dream-tinged gardens at your will—"
—V. A. Storey.





TULIPA CLUSIANA



FRENCH BULBS GROWN IN SOUTHERN FRANCE FOR EARLIEST FORCING

IT is nearly thirty years ago since our Mr. John T. Scheepers went for the first time to the South of France, spending thereafter several months every year amongst the native bulb growers of picturesque Ollioules, where these bulbs are grown in terraced gardens on the slopes of the mountains and in the lands of the valley; near the Mediterranean coast and on the higher plateaux of the inland, all of which makes a great difference. Where the Mayor, the drygoods merchant, the owner of the "buvette" and the doctor "dabbles" in bulbs and where the farmers produce them, which again makes an important difference, especially when it comes to Highest Quality, True Strain, Healthy Stock.

The first hand knowledge and practical experience as well as the strong connections with specialists obtained during those years has been invaluable to us in the supply of French Bulbs that produce finest results.

FRENCH HYACINTHS

ROMAN—WHITE. Size 15 centimeters and over. \$29.00 per 100.

ROMAN—LIGHT PINK. Size 15 centimeters and over. \$18.00 per 100.

ROMAN—LIGHT BLUE. Size 15 centimeters and over. \$18.00 per 100.

FRENCH TULIPS FOR EARLY FORCING

CLUSIANA. The "Ladies' Tulip." Such a lovely and artistic flower. Glistening white with a carmine flame on each petal; erect, wiry stems, twelve inches and more tall; glaucous leaves. This tulip so easily forced, is delightful for pot and pan work; invaluable for cut-

ting and for shipping. Lasts longer cut than any other Tulip and travels a long distance better than any other flower. Invaluable for table decoration. Blooms easily and early without much forcing from bulbs the size of a marble; a quantity can thus be grown in limited space. \$9.00 per 100; \$22.00 per bag of 250; \$85.00 per 1,000.

"FRENCH" NARCISSI

Campernelle, Single. The sweet Campernelle; very floriferous; excellent for mass cutting; fine for decorative effects. \$12.00 per 100; \$28.00 per bag of 250; \$110.00 per 1,000.

GOLDEN SPUR. The best single yellow trumpet for early forcing. Our Special Strain. Always succeeds. \$21.00 per 100; \$52.00 per case of 250; \$200.00 per 1,000.

GLORIOSA. Bunch flowered, pure white with orange cup; sweet scented. \$18.00 per 100; \$42.00 per case of 250; \$165.00 per 1,000.

Grand Soleil d'Or. The yellow counterpart of the Paperwhite. Yellow with orange cup. Not so strongly scented as the Paperwhite. Special Stock, \$25.00 per 100; \$58.00 per case of 250; \$225.00 per 1,000.

PAPERWHITE GRANDIFLORA. The pure white, sweet scented, very early bunch-flowered Narcissi. The true type. Our Special Stock, size 15 centimeters and over, \$12.00 per 100; \$28.00 per case of 250; \$110.00 per 1,000.

"DUTCH" NARCISSI

We offer only the finest and best varieties for forcing for general use, for special occasions and for flower shows, in HEAVIEST TOP-SIZE bulbs, carefully selected for utmost result.

Our SPECIAL STOCK Narcissi have been awarded the Highest Awards at important flower shows.

YELLOW TRUMPETS

EMPEROR. Rich, full, yellow trumpet; deep primrose

perianth. \$2.15 for 10, \$19.00 per 100.

KING ALFRED. Remarkably handsome, unrivaled in size and beauty. Large, bold, golden yellow flower with deeply frilled mouth, elegantly recurved. Of splendid lasting quality. The ideal cut flower. Our SPECIAL STOCK has proved superior to any other, flowering before Christmas. \$5.00 for 10, \$47.50 per 100. Extra heavy bulbs, \$3.25 for 10, \$30.00 per 100.

OLYMPIA. Bold, large, yellow trumpet; pale yellow perianth. An enormous flower, splendid in every way. Special Stock, only limited quantity available, \$4.00

for 10, \$37.50 per 100.

TRESSERVE. Beautiful light yellow Trumpet Daffodil, extra large flower; splendid exhibition variety. Fine for forcing. Special Stock, only limited quantity

available, \$5.00 for 10, \$47.50 per 100.

Van Waveren's Giant. One of the largest of all Trumpet Daffodils; flowers of huge dimension; bright yellow trumpet with primrose perianth of campanulate form. Very tall and vigorous grower. Special Stock, only limited quantity available, \$5.00 for 10, \$47.50 per 100.

BICOLOR TRUMPETS (Perianth white, trumpet yellow)

EMPRESS. Rich yellow trumpet with sulphur-white perianth. Extra heavy bulbs, \$2.15 for 10, \$19.00 per 100.

GLORY OF SASSENHEIM. Bold bicolor variety, fine and early, an easy and good variety for forcing. Extra heavy bulbs, \$3.25 for 10, \$30.00 per 100.

ROBERT SYDENHAM. Immense, beautiful exhibition variety. Special Stock, only limited quantity available,

\$5.00 for 10, \$47.50 per 100.

Spring Glory. Long chrome-yellow trumpet with reflexed brim; clear white perianth. Very large flower of beautiful form. Special Stock, only limited quantity available, \$5.00 for 10, \$47.50 per 100.

Incomparabilis Varieties (Large chalice-cupped)

"A perfect golden chaliced Daffodil Singing in the breeze in warmth and chill, Symbol of all the lovely things to see Within your close the blooming days to be."

-LYMAN.

Autocrat. Free-flowering; primrose-yellow perianth, large, broad, well expanded yellow cup. Extra heavy

bulbs, \$2.25 for 10, \$21.00 per 100.

CROESUS. The widely opened and glowing orange cup of this Daffodil against its very slightly reflexed perianth of creamy white with a tinge of lemon-yellow gives it a central glow which can never pass unnoticed. A most attractive and striking Daffodil. An almost scarlet rim enhances the rich orange of the cup and the bold fluting of the cup is a part of its beauty. Each, \$1.50, \$12.50 for 10, \$115.00 per 100.

LUCIFER. Large, handsome white perianth; cup intense glowing orange-red; splendid variety. Extra heavy

bulbs, \$1.75 for 10, \$15.00 per 100.

SIR WATKIN. Bold, handsome flower; sulphur perianth, yellow cup, tinged bright orange. Extra heavy bulbs, perianth. Extra heavy bulbs, \$2.15 for 10, \$19.00 per 100.

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WHITEWELL. Extra fine, large flower; perianth broad, creamy white; large, chrome-orange cup, much expanded. Extra heavy bulbs, \$2.75 for 10, \$25.00 per 100.

WILL SCARLET. One of the most striking Daffodils; fiery, orange cup, very broad and wide open; creamy white perianth. \$3.50 for 10, \$32.50 per 100.

BARRII (Short-cupped Daffodils)

BATH'S FLAME. Yellow perianth, deep yellow cup with a broad edge of orange-red. The petals are very long, giving the flower a distinct and outstanding character. Extra heavy bulbs. \$7.50 for 10, \$72.50 per 100.

EARLY SURPRISE. This is not only a very early Daffodil but startling in color; a faintly greenish white perianth, segments rather pointed and apart, yet rather flat has a deep cup, charmingly fluted and frilled. of clear yellow, with a ¼ inch ribbon-like edge of most vivid orange-scarlet. A dazzling flower. \$2.35 for 10, \$21.00 per 100.

LADY MOORE. Broad perianth, ivory-white, large yellow cup with red edge, splendid forcer. Exceedingly beautiful. Extra heavy bulbs, \$5.00 for 10, \$47.50

per 100.

NANNIE NUNN. Remarkably striking flower; rounded campanulate yellow perianth, broad cup of the most intense vermilion scarlet, tinged brick red; a beautiful variety. Extra heavy bulbs, \$5.25 for 10, \$50.00 per 100.

LEEDSII (Eucharis-flowered Daffodils)

HERA. In this Daffodil the pure white perianth segments seem almost joined together, so perfect is their over-lapping; the pale straw-colored cup is very markedly fluted and with the slightly greenish base, creates a charming whole. A flower of intense delicacy and of rare beauty. \$5.25 for 10, \$50.00 per 100.

LORD KITCHENER. Flower of great size with very broad, flat, pure white perianth of firm substance; crown very large, of a delicate pale primrose, well open at the mouth and elegantly crimped at the brim. Extra heavy bulbs, \$3.25 for 10, \$30.00 per 100.

QUEEN OF THE NORTH. Extremely lovely, large flower; very broad white perianth, with lemon cup, prettily fluted; very pure color. Excellent for forcing. Extra

heavy bulbs, \$3.25 for 10, \$30.00 per 100.

St. Olaf. Of remarkable beauty, measuring four inches across; pure white perianth, well imbricated, and wide, flattened crown, very prettily fluted, measuring 11/4 inches across. Color is cream, delicately margined sulphur, with sulphur shaded center. Splendid exhibition variety. Extra heavy bulbs, \$2.25 for 10, \$20.00 per 100.

Cyclamineus (Cyclamen-flowered)

February Gold. Beautiful golden yellow, exquisite novelty, very floriferous; aroused much comment in one of our recent New York exhibits. Extremely valuable for table decoration and individual vase work. Extra heavy bulbs, \$9.00 for 10, \$87.50 per 100.

POETAZ (Tazetta Hybrids)

Admiration. Sulphur-yellow perianth; sulphur-yellow eye with scarlet-red border; beautiful in every way. Extra heavy bulbs, \$42.50 per 100.

EARLY PERFECTION. An improved Elvira, handsomest of all the white and yellow Poetaz varieties; can be

forced to bloom early in January. Extra heavy bulbs.

\$25.00 per 100.

ELVIRA. Three to four large flowers of great substance, borne on long, graceful stem; broad white petals and a golden yellow cup edged orange; delicately fragrant. Splendid forcer. Extra heavy bulbs, \$17.50 per 100.

LAURENS KOSTER. Very handsome variety; perianth white with deep yellow cup. Extra heavy bulbs,

\$17.50 per 100.

MEDUSA. A very beautiful "Poetaz," smooth pure white perianth and brilliant orange scarlet eye; sweetly scented. \$78.00 per 100.

POETICUS

GLORY OF LISSE. The best variety for forcing; free-flowering. Large, snow-white perianth; cup rimmed red. Extra heavy bulbs, \$27.50 per 100.

ORNATUS. Pure white perianth; broad cup, margined scarlet; good early forcer. Extra heavy bulbs, \$12.50

per 100, \$115.00 per 1,000.

CHINESE SACRED NARCISSI

(The Good Luck Lilies)

This is a Polyanthus Narcissus almost too well known for any description here.

It may be forced, but not as quickly as Soleil d'Or, or Paperwhites, or may be grown slowly in pebbles and water. \$30.00 per 100.

Our Narcissi have been repeatedly awarded Gold Medals and other Highest Honors at the most important flower shows.

For a more comprehensive list of Narcissi including many rare varieties, please see our complete book entitled, "Beauty from Bulbs."

SPECIALLY TREATED OR PREPARED HYACINTHS FOR EARLY FORCING

By a special process of artificial ripening, these bulbs will produce flowers three weeks or more in advance of the Dutch Hyacinths and they are therefore invaluable for Early Forcing.

We offer in this class ONE GREAT SPECIALTY, a Roman variety named NIMROD, which flowers the

earliest of all.

NIMROD. Delicate rose, beautiful flower. Resembling a large Roman Hyacinth. \$21.00 per 100; \$50.00 per case of 250; \$98.00 per case of 500.

Other varieties in this class that have proven emi-

nently satisfactory are the following:

LADY DERBY. Fine rose-pink. One of the finest for forcing.

L'Innocence. Large, pure white.

SCHOTEL. Beautiful Forget-me-not blue.

Above varieties \$28.00 per 100; \$80.00 per case of

300 bulbs, 100 of each.

These bulbs are delivered early in August; they should be immediately potted and put in a dark cool place to encourage thorough root action.

CYNTHELLA HYACINTHS

(Miniature Hyacinths)

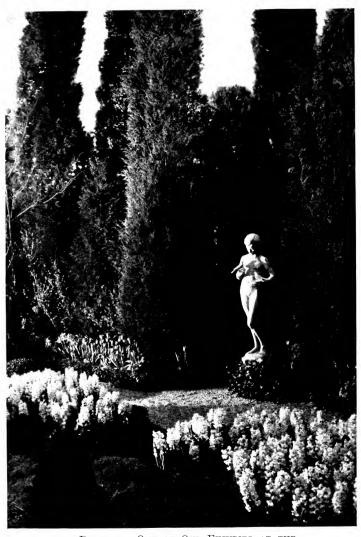
This attractive class of Hyacinths for growing in pots, pans, or boxes, and so valuable for cutting, we offer in the three varieties which our many years experience has convinced us to be the most satisfactory.

ARENTINE ARENDSEN. Snow white.

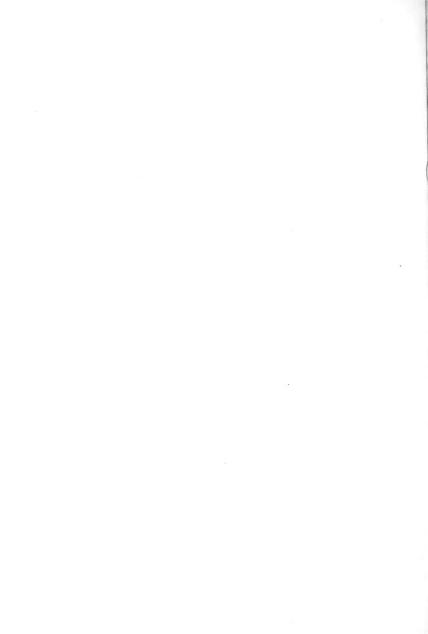
Laura. Violet blue.

NIMROD. Delicate rose.

\$19.00 per 100; \$55.00 per case of 300 bulbs, 100 of each.



DETAIL IN ONE OF OUR EXHIBITS AT THE
INTERNATIONAL FLOWER SHOW
RECEIVED GRAND SWEEPSTAKES AWARD AND GOLD MEDAL



SUPREME HYACINTHS FOR FORCING

Exhibition Stock

Long lists of varieties only tend to confuse, therefore we offer below only those sorts that careful selection has proven to be the best. Our Hyacinths have been awarded highest honors at important flower shows.

BLUE SHADES

BISMARCK. Fine truss with large waxy bells of a light lavender-blue. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

DR. LIEBER. Very early lavender-blue; heavy, perfect

spike. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

DUKE OF WESTMINSTER. Large, deep purplish blue bells with white center. \$17.50 for 10, \$150.00 per 100.

ENCHANTRESS. Full, long truss with large bells of a pale porcelain, tinted lilac, with lighter center. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

IVANHOE. The bluest and most satisfactory of the dark shades; late flowering. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

King of the Blues. Splendid compact truss with fine, bright dark blue bells; flowers late. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

MENELIK. Large, well formed truss, deep, black-blue

bells. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

Schotel. Long, perfect truss; large bells of Forget-menot blue. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

ORANGE

ORANJEBOVEN. Prettiest and daintiest of all Holland Hyacinths; a true ladies' flower; resembles very much the Roman Hyacinth; this beauty is of a ruddy apricot color which appeals to all. One of the most charming of the rose-colored varieties. \$4.50 for 10, \$42.50 per 100.

Rose Shades

Lady Derby. Long, splendid truss, with large bells of a fine rose-pink. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

QUEEN OF THE PINKS. The pink form of King of the Blues; a lovely bright rosy pink. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

LA VICTOIRE. Well filled truss, medium-sized bells of fine dark pink; magnificent exhibition variety. \$4.00

for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

SCARLET

Tubergen's Scarlet. Fiery scarlet spike of medium size. A splendid novelty of striking order. \$5.00 for 10, \$47.50 per 100.

WHITE

Correggio. Short, heavy spike, with large waxy white bells. Very fine. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

La Grandesse. The finest and most showy pure white; long, full truss of perfect form, with fine waxy bells. Grand exhibition flower. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

L'Innocence. Great truss, with large, pure white bells. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

YELLOW

City of Haarlem. Large well formed truss of a bright golden yellow. Fine exhibition flower. \$4.00 for 10, \$35.00 per 100.

FOR A MORE COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF HYACINTHS SEE OUR CORPLETE BOOK ENTITLED "BEAUTY FROM BULBS."



Yesterday the twig was brown and bare;
Today the glint of green is there
Tomorrow will be leaflets spare!
I know no thing so wondrous fair
No miracle so strangely rare.
I wonder what will next be there!
—L. H. Bailey.

TULIPS Single Tulips for Early Forcing

The very finest forcing grade obtainable. The best varieties selected for the purpose.

Not all Tulip bulbs, though bearing the same name, are suitable for early forcing; it requires special soils to produce Tulip bulbs for forcing purposes; they should be kept distinct from bulbs purchased for planting out of doors.

All early Tulips should be grown in deep flower pots or boxes at least 6 inches deep. To obtain the best results, the very finest select quality, heaviest top size mother bulbs should be used.

Brilliant Star. Large, bright vermilion-scarlet. A most beautiful Tulip for forcing. \$9.50 per 100.

DE WET. Glorious orange, shaded golden-salmon. Very fragrant. Splendid under artificial light. \$19.00 per 100.

FRED. MOORE. Handsome bright orange, shaded scar-

let. Keep well watered. \$7.50 per 100.

FORTUNA. Large oval shaped flower on tall stem. Silvery satin-rose, shaded fawn. With age the flower changes to a soft rose. A very beautiful new Tulip for which we were awarded a Certificate of Merit at the International Flower Show in New York. \$8.50 for 10. \$78.00 per 100.

Ibis. Beautiful rose-pink with white markings. \$10.00

per 100.

KEIZERSKROON. Large, scarlet flower, edged with bright yellow. \$12.50 per 100.

LADY BOREEL. Long, beautifully formed flower, of the

finest pure white. \$8.50 per 100.

LADY MOORE. A very beautiful Tulip which has been very much admired at the flower shows. The color is orange shaded terra cotta. \$12.50 per 100.

LE Rève (Hobbema). An alluring composite of soft rose and buff; handsomely rounded flower with a strong stem. A beautiful variety. The lovely old rose coloring is very attractive. \$8.50 per 100.

PELICAN. Large, long flower of pure white. Excellent

for exhibition. \$8.50 per 100.

PINK BEAUTY. Large and beautifully formed, vivid

pink flower, good keeper. \$17.50 per 100.

PROSERPINE. Enormous, globular shaped flower of carmine, shaded rose. Delightfully scented. One of the earliest to force. \$12.00 per 100.

RISING SUN. Large, golden yellow of fine form. Excep-

tional exhibition Tulip. \$10.00 per 100.

Rose Précoce. Pink and white, the easiest variety to

force, flowering very early. \$13.75 per 100.

Yellow Queen (Moonbeam). Very large, graceful and beautiful flower of a deep primrose-yellow, shading to a deeper color at the edges. An excellent variety. \$22.50 per 100.

DOUBLE TULIPS FOR EARLY FORCING

COURONNE D'OR. Full deep yellow, flushed orange.
Splendid for forcing. \$8.75 per 100.

ELECTRA. Beautiful rose, large flower, unexcelled for

exhibition purposes. \$15.00 per 100.

EPICURE. Orange-brown shaded old gold. Very large

flower. \$17.50 per 100.

MR. VAN DER HOEFF. Doubtless the finest golden yellow double Tulip for forcing; exquisite flower, very full and large; excellent. \$9.00 per 100.

Mystery of India. Unusual shade of apricot and bronze, tinted orange-pink. Fine for exhibition work.

\$15.00 per 100.

Peach Blossom. Large, very double, bright pink flowers, flushed white. Most effective for indoor decoration; good keeper. Indeed a gorgeous variety. \$10.00 per 100.



SINGLE BARLY TULIPS LE RÈVE



Pensée Rose. Rosy lilac, enormous flower. Height, 15 inches. \$42.50 per 100.

TEA ROSE. The same lovely blending of pale yellow and soft rose as seen in many tea roses. Fine forcer. \$6.25 per 100.

TRIUMPHATOR. A splendid variety producing large flowers of a fine rosy pink. \$25.00 per 100.

VUURBAAK. Splendid scarlet, opening to brilliant orange-scarlet. \$8.75 per 100.

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It is this very scarce quality of bulbs that we furnish exclusively and upon such quality our prices have been based.

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TRIUMPH TULIPS

Two new races of Tulips which are recommended at present for forcing only, and principally for their unusual colorings.

Acras. This lovely flower is a very light heliotrope, changing into white towards the edges of the petals and base; the white on the edges is feathered and

marked irregularly. \$15.00 per 100.

ALARAPH. A very fine Tulip which created considerable comment during our recent exhibit at the International Flower Show in New York. Dark mahogany bordered lemon-yellow with a lemon-yellow base. \$67.50 per 100.

Boston. A most unusual color. Flowers are pale rose-violet, inside pink, edged salmon-rose. \$40.00 per 100.

- Castor. Large clear carmine-purple flower of strong substance carried on a tall stiff stem. The color tone is brighter than any Darwin in this color class. \$9.75 for 10.
- COLORADO. A large glowing orange and deep yellow bloom, very long and slender and finely held on its fairly tall stem. The flush of pinkish mauve here (the exact hue is as elusive as it is vivid and beautiful) and the occasional edge of bright orange would make one think of Rosamond Marriott Watson's line,

"Along the lawns the tulip lamps are lit"

\$25.00 per 100.

GEORGIA. A Tulip which is bound to become a leader for indoor use; this is an excellent forcer with flowers on a medium sized stem. It is creamy white with a broad border of carmine-pink. \$22.50 per 100.

LA Tosca. Splendid deep amaranth-red, edged and feathered with white. Very large globular flower of magnificent shape carried on a strong erect stem. One of the most beautiful Tulips in this class. \$2.00

each, \$17.50 for 10.

LORD CARNARVON. A flower with so well defined a band of clear bright pink on its magnificent pointed petals as to make it an amazing thing. The Tulip has uncommon elegance of form and this banding or striping of pink is something like the charming color of Hybrid Tulip Rosabella, yet the flower itself so exquisitely vase shaped, its markings are so conventional that it is distinctly a decorative Tulip. It is a glory for cutting. \$17.50 per 100.

MR. ZIMMERMAN. This beautiful Tulip can be best described as resembling Single Early Tulip Rose Luisante, being, however, three times the size of the former. Color is a deep rose-pink not found so far among Darwin Tulips of this color class. \$8.75

for 10.

SAGITTARIUS. A fine Tulip of unusual color, size and length of stem. The large flowers are carried on a tall erect stem. The color is white, shaded cream, ending in a very soft rose towards the end of the petals. \$47.50 per 100.

SILVER STAR. Very beautiful flower of silvery creamy white carried on a tall erect stem. \$47.50 per 100.

Tucana. A beautiful Tulip very difficult to describe. The nearest we can give the color of this Tulip is an orange overlaid carmine changing to orange-yellow with age. Flowers are pointed and carried on graceful stems. \$37.50 per 100.

Virgo. The color is a rich pansy violet, lighter towards the edges. The flowers are large and carried on tall erect stems. An outstanding variety in its color class.

\$12.50 for 10.

MENDEL TULIPS

Alsace. Rosy carmine, beautiful egg shaped flower. \$32.00 per 100.

Amsterdam. Color is a clear red, bordered yellow. Very unusual. \$87.50 for 10.

APRIL QUEEN. Soft lilac-rose. \$67.50 per 100.

Bellinda. Deep rosy carmine with large pure white base. \$42.50 per 100.

LILARAN. Silvery lilac; quite a new shade in Tulips;

very beautiful. \$9.75 for 10.

EVANGELINE LINDBERGH. This variety created much favorable comment during a recent exhibit at the International Flower Show in New York, where it was named in honor of the mother of a great American. The large flowers are carried on erect stems. The color is a bright rose with a beautiful white base. \$9.75 for 10.

FAVORITE. Very delicate old-rose. \$9.75 for 10. Mozart. White, broadly edged pink. \$12.50 for 10. Narida. Deep-rose-red. \$37.50 per 100.

Oranja. Bright orange-scarlet. \$15.00 per 100. Porthos. Dark violet; entirely new color in Tulips. \$32.50 per 100.
Salmoran. Very fine soft salmon, shaded orange.

\$12.50 for 10.

Cherish the faith that . "In Paradise a garden lies."



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BREEDER, COTTAGE DARWIN AND OTHER FINE TULIPS

The very finest forcing grade obtainable. The best

varieties of the collection.

Not all Tulip bulbs, though of the same variety, are suitable for early forcing; it requires special soils to produce Tulip bulbs for forcing purposes; they should be kept distinct from bulbs purchased for planting out of doors.

BREEDER TULIPS FOR FORCING

Bacchus. Beautiful tone of purple, the richest of violetblue tulips; a dusky bloom on its outer petals like that

of a Black Hamburg Grape. \$14.00 per 100.

Bronze Queen. Subtle blending of deep yellow and brown with a touch of rose; a shadowy beauty all its own. When used for interior decoration use it lavishly with the variety Louis XIV. \$7.50 per 100.

GARIBALDI. Long flower of fine form. Pale lilac-bronze with pale yellow border, slightly tinged bluish. Makes a fine combination with the variety Velvet King.

\$82.50 per 100.

Indian Chief. Reddish purple flushed coppery brown. Magnificent exhibition variety. \$92.00 per 100.

Louis XIV. Very large, goblet shaped, magnificent flower. Dark, bluish-violet with tawny margin. A wonderful Tulip of striking beauty. Perhaps the finest Tulip for forcing for general use as a superior cut-flower which is highly decorative, or for exhibition purposes. \$10.00 per 100.

Lucifer. Very fine large flower; orange with rosy bloom.

\$17.50 per 100.

OLD TIMES. Especially recommendable for forcing; a delightful combination of art shades; handsome, large flower of a light yellow flamed with dull purple. \$8.50 per 100.

ROI SOLEIL. Here is a striking beauty! Dark violetblue and shades of bronze are wonderfully combined. Fine, large, well formed flower. \$15.00 per 100.

TURENNE. Fine large egg shaped flower; nigrosin-violet,

heavily flushed bronze margin. \$9.50 per 100.

VELVET KING. Immense flower, of fine cup shaped form. Bright, dark royal purple. Will combine beautifully arranged in vases with a variety like Garibaldi, or with a pale heliotrope. \$12.50 per 100.

VULCAIN. Beautiful shaped flower of a color unlike any other; deep apricot, with broad margin of bright buffvellow, shaded apricot. Extremely pretty when forced.

\$12.50 per 100.

COTTAGE AND HYBRID TULIPS FOR EARLY FORCING

The very finest forcing quality. The best varieties for

this purpose.

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Ambrosia. Rich, luscious flower of pale terra cotta, with amber lights and a rosy glow throughout. Superb for cutting, the variety of color in the flower itself suggesting endless color combinations. It is the artist's Tulip. Arranged, for instance, with a variety like Faust, the effect will be perfect. \$25.00 per 100.

ARETHUSA. A gloriously large and freely opened cup of unusual grace and beauty. The artistically formed flower is of a translucent light chrome-yellow. There is hardly in the world a tint exactly like it. \$49.00 per 100.

Argo. The flower is not large but it stands out amongst all others for its beautiful color. Deep golden, yet very soft shade of yellow, slightly penciled towards the top edge with orange, which deepens as the flower ages. In our exhibits we have used it most effectively. \$17.50 per 100.

Avis Kennicott. Very large, chrome-yellow flower, with striking black base and anthers. Sometimes appears without this black base. The grouping of this beautiful flower in our Tulip Garden at the recent International Flower Show caused a great deal of favorable comment. After being one week in the exhibition it was still flowering gloriously, the long flower held up straight on a strong stem. \$15.00 per 100.

BARBARA PRATT. This is a very beautiful Tulip with slightly reflexed petals of light cochineal-carmine, edged with lilac-rose. The base is yellow with a narrow green edge. It is highly recommended for exhibition purposes. Height, 36 inches. Each, \$1.50, \$12.50 for 10.

Carrara. This is a fair pale Tulip, which has already created by its beauty a sensation at the great flower shows. It is as round as the breast of a swan; as purely white as the marble from which it takes its name. It has been extremely scarce, just now available at a more reasonable price. \$25.00 per 100.

DIDO. A perfect flower, unspeakably glorious in color and form. Deep rich pink with yellow stripes shaded salmon. Sweetly fragrant. One of the wonders of the Tulip world; it has no peer as an unusual and magnificent Tulip. \$30.00 per 100.

Hammer Hales. Very long flower; a remarkable blending of bronze, old-rose, apricot, and fawn color. \$10.00 per 100.

INGLESCOMBE PINK. A favorite for its beautiful warm pink flushed with amber. \$6.50 per 100.

- INGLESCOMBE YELLOW. Perfectly formed, beautiful flower of a canary yellow usually showing a light crimson edge. \$6.50 per 100.
- Joan of Arc. A fine Tulip. Long flower, rather loose, but very graceful and attractive. It is a beautiful Sunflower yellow with yellow base and anthers. \$12.50 for 10.
- LEDA. This is still one of the most beautiful pink varieties in existence. While it is a hybrid, the child of a cross between Darwin and Cottage Tulips, it bears fine Darwin shape. The color is vivid rose shading light rose towards the border, a coloring which attracts immediate attention. \$57.50 per 100.
- Mongolia. This we consider one of the best of the recent introductions; it is by far the largest deep yellow flower in existence. The flowers are egg shaped, of great substance and carried on tall strong stem. While the yellow color of this beautiful variety is rather deep, it has a tone of softness, making it extremely desirable. Indeed an outstanding variety. \$29.00 for 10.
- MOONLIGHT. Very long flower of fine oval shape; lovely soft pale yellow. \$7.50 per 100.
- Mrs. Moon. One of the best tall yellow Tulips; artistically formed vase shaped flowers. \$10.00 per 100.
- ORIENT. A noble Tulip of a rich warm pink color, slightly touched with amber at the edges of the petals. It is a very large, Pæony-like Tulip, each petal perhaps six inches long; slender in the flower, but with partly reflexing petals. \$35.00 per 100.
- Rosabella. There is hardly a Tulip anywhere to touch this flower for a certain soft charm. Its color may be described as a delicious pink, warm, delicate and sweet, as lovely as a pink Rose bud. This is a flower of ineffable charm. \$20.00 per 100.

THE FAWN. This fine oval Tulip exhibits a lovely blending of rose and fawn color. \$7.50 per 100.

THEMIS. An elegantly formed flower on a rather tall stem; one of the really good pure white Tulips that are at present available. \$25.00 per 100.

Walter T. Ware. The best deep golden yellow Tulip having extraordinary lasting qualities; beautiful globular flower with reflexing segments. Lends itself for many superb color combinations. \$17.50 per 100.

We recommend that you always secure the heaviest "Mother Bulbs" for most successful Tulip forcing. Our Holland growers have frequently told us that less than five per cent of the entire Holland bulb crop consists of that extra high grade which we demand from them. Our prices in these lists are based upon delivery of such Supreme Quality only.

DARWIN TULIPS FOR EARLY FORCING

The very finest Forcing Bulbs obtainable. The best varieties of the collection.

Afterglow (Katherine Havemeyer). The beautiful color of this fine Tulip is a striking association of rose and orange with salmon lights; it might be called a soft apricot-orange tinged with pink with a light orange edge. \$10.00 per 100.

Anton Mauve. Large, well formed flower. Violet, bordered soft gravish white. \$12.50 per 100.

APHRODITE. Exquisite variety; clear silvery pink. \$17.50 per 100.

ARIADNE. A Darwin of deep cherry red or rosy crimson, deepening almost to scarlet at the edges of petals. Showy and effective, well held on a tall strong stem. \$7.50 per 100.

AVIATOR HAWKES. One of the finest Darwin Tulips.

The large, beautifully formed bloom of a bright deep

rose is carried on a tall strong stem. Extremely attractive exhibition variety. \$57.50 per 100.

Bartigon. Dazzling scarlet with faint dark bloom. \$7.50 per 100.

CENTENAIRE. Striking rosy violet; one of the easiest and earliest to force. \$7.50 per 100.

CITY OF HAARLEM. Handsome exhibition variety, enormous bloom; fiery cardinal red. \$18.00 per 100.

ECLIPSE. Dark, rich, red Darwins are not too common, but here is one of good form, splendid firmness of petal and stem. This Tulip always creates a sensation in any exhibition for its tall regal bearing and beautiful deep coloring. \$25.00 per 100.

FAUST. A long, large and splendid flower of deep wine

color. \$11.50 per 100.

FLAMINGO. One of the most beautiful pink Tulips. Exquisite pure color and satin sheen. Lovely pointed flower. Please do not confuse with a Single Early Tulip of that name. \$8.75 per 100.

FRANS HALS. An excellent, large, blue-violet flower.

Splendid for forcing. \$15.00 per 100.

JUBILEE. Of deepest wine color and deepest violet, this Tulip with its splendid carriage, good form and strong texture, has a place by itself among the purple Darwins. \$17.50 per 100.

KING GEORGE V. Immense flower of unusual substance. One of the finest for forcing, always used by us for our exhibits. Brilliant cherry rose. \$17.50 per 100.

LA FIANCÉE. Beautiful and distinct Tulip of a fine pink with blue base. \$12.50 per 100.

LA TULIPE NOIRE. Large, rich, velvety, blackish maroon. \$8.75 per 100.

MADAME KRELAGE. Tender pink with lilac tones; very reliable for forcing. \$7.50 per 100.

Mr. Farncombe Sanders. Vivid rose-scarlet of superb form and great size. \$7.50 per 100.

- Orange Perfection. Very large beautifully formed flower carried on straight, strong stem. The color is exceedingly attractive, of a brilliant salmon-rose. \$37.50 per 100.
- PRESIDENT TAFT. A very fine variety, which can be forced very successfully. It is scarlet on the inside, while the outside is of a dark red color. \$10.00 per 100.
- Pride of Haarlem. Unsurpassed for forcing; brilliant deep rose; almost an American Beauty shade. \$7.50 per 100.
- Prince of Wales. Shining cherry red; magnificent exhibition Tulip. Please do not confuse with a Breeder Tulip of this name. \$17.50 per 100.
- PRINCESS ELIZABETH. Charming clear pink deepening in color with age; most desirable for forcing in quantity. \$7.50 per 100.
- Princess Mary. Long, egg shaped Tulip of a most glorious hue. Warm rosy pink; very rich; one of the finest exhibition varieties. \$67.50 per 100.
- REVEREND EWBANK. Lovely mauve; forces easily. \$7.50 per 100.
- RONALD GUNN. Clear, cold blue-violet, coming closer to real blue than any other Tulip. \$8.75 per 100.
- SIR TREVOR LAWRENCE. One of the finest and most desirable Tulips for forcing; soft and warm claret-colored variety with smoky markings. \$10.00 per 100.
- THE BISHOP. Finest deep violet, of beautiful form. \$57.50 per 100.
- VENUS. This beautifully formed flower has a chalice or cup of the loveliest, deepest pink. Its faint flush of paler pink at the top of the inner petals adds to its charm; its general color is that of the deepest pink June Rose. \$32.50 per 100.

- WM. COPLAND PINK. This Tulip is a pink sport of the well known Wm. Copland and promises to become the most popular forcing Tulip. It has the same marvellous forcing qualities as its parent and a very beautiful soft rose-pink color. Each, \$2.50, \$22.50 for 10.
- WILLIAM COPLAND. Well formed flower of a fine lilac tone. The best and earliest for forcing. \$7.50 per 100.
- WILLIAM PITT. Large, fine, dark velvety crimson with a purple bloom on the petals; a splendid and easy forcer. \$7.50 per 100.
- WHITE QUEEN. Delicate opalescent tints; nearly white. Charming flower when forced. \$7.50 per 100.
- YELLOW GIANT. This beautiful variety is one of the best of recent introductions; the large finely formed globular flower is carried on a long strong stem and is of a pure golden yellow. Height, 28 inches. \$12.50 for 10.
- ZULU. Shining blackish purple with distinct violet edge; graceful variety with pointed petals. \$8.75 per 100.

TULIP SPECIES FOR EARLY FORCING

CLUSIANA. The "Ladies' Tulip." Such a lovely and artistic flower. Glistening white with a carmine flame on each petal; erect, wiry stems, twelve inches and more tall; glaucous leaves. This Tulip so easily forced, is delightful for pot and pan work; invaluable for cutting and for shipping. Lasts longer cut than any other Tulip and travels a long distance better than any other flower. Invaluable for table decoration. Blooms easily and early without much forcing from bulbs the size of a marble; a quantity can thus be grown in limited space. \$9.00 per 100; \$22.00 per bag of 250; \$85.00 per 1,000.

CORNUTA STENOPETALA. Beautifully formed flower laciniated like a Parrot Tulip, but held upright on tall stiff stem. Very interesting and curious in a collection. Color combination scarlet and gold. \$17.50 per 100.

KAUFMANNIANA. One of the most beautiful of all Tulips. Large, creamy flower, brilliantly marked with carmine, yellow center. Flower opens flat and is carried on a stem usually less than a foot in height. \$20.00 per 100.

LILY-FLOWERED TULIPS FOR FORCING

Sirene. The lovely Clara Butt—pink Tulip, a pink retroflexa. So many charming uses can be found for this enchanting flower. Here are shades of charming rose-pink, as well as pale yellow. A delight to the eye, especially if arranged in a vase with a light blue flower, Mertensia, or Delphinium. \$7.50 per 100.

For a more comprehensive collection of the finest, rarest and latest introductions in Tulips, please see our complete book entitled, "Beauty from Bulbs."

NOTE

All the varieties of Tulips listed herein have been forced by us for our own exhibits which usually take place from the middle to the end of March, and we can recommend all unreservedly for forcing purposes.

We pot our bulbs in late November using deep ten inch pots or Azalea pans; we put from 18 to 24 bulbs in a ten inch pan according to the variety; we give the bulbs plenty of chance to make roots, grow them in the full light on top of the bench in cool temperature, giving them a little more heat when finishing them off; we harden them thereafter in a deep frame for a week before the flower show bringing them in just showing color. They always last two weeks or more in perfect condition.

IRISES

WITH the advent of the beautiful newer varieties of bulbous Irises and the fact that these glorious flowers may be had in bloom from December until spring, adapting themselves so easily to forcing under glass, this class of bulbs has become of great importance.

They make fine pot plants and, with their tall stems, are invaluable as cutflowers for room or table decoration, much sought after for their artistic form and lovely coloring.

The Iris Hollandica (*Dutch Irises*) have far outclassed the Spanish Irises for which reason we have eliminated the latter with the exception of two unusual novelties listed below.

Quantities of these Irises should be planted in deep pans, or deep boxes with wired bottoms, the pots or pans at least six inches deep, for plunging in the borders in spring. For Florida and Southern California for early spring flowering they are also exceptionally valuable plants.

IRISES

FILIFOLIA IMPERATOR. Dark violet and azure blue with yellow central streak. May be had in bloom very early. Special Stock, \$18.00 per 100.

STYLOSA (Unguicularis Cœrulea). Light blue. These make splendid pot plants producing from late November on flowers in profusion, as fragrant as the violet. We furnish these in good strong clumps, large enough to go in a six inch pot, at \$19.00 for 25, \$35.00 for case of 50, \$65.00 per 100.

- TINGITANA THE FIRST. Very early forcer; dark blue, enormous flower. This new variety will flower before any of the others. Only limited stock available. Special stock, \$38.00 per 100.
- TINGITANA WEDGEWOOD. The earliest to flower. Standards blue, falls beautiful pale blue with a yellow blotch; large flowers on very tall spike; free flowering. Received Highest Honors wherever exhibited. In our opinion the finest, most satisfactory and valuable of all forcing Irises. Special Stock, \$29.00 per 100.

IRIS HOLLANDICA

(Dutch Irises)

- A. Bloemaard. Standards dark purplish blue, falls lighter blue; a very large, fine, early flowering variety on tall stem. Special Stock, \$9.75 per 100.
- Adriaan Backer. Uniform purple lilac. Special Stock, \$9.75 per 100.
- Frans Decker. Standards and falls of the purest white on a very tall stem. Special Stock, \$75.00 per 100.
- HENDRICK MEYER. Standards pale lemon yellow, falls golden yellow with orange blotch. On very tall stem. Special Stock, \$98.00 per 100.
- Poggenbeeck. Standards and falls of a uniform dark blue, a great and distinct improvement; very fine flower on tall stem. Special Stock, \$9.75 per 100.
- Thérèse Van Duyll-Schwartze. Standards pale cornflower blue, falls of the purest white with very narrow orange stripe. An excellent cutflower. Special Stock, \$9.75 per 100.
- WHITE EXCELSIOR. This is one of the best and finest varieties for forcing with Wedgewood and Yellow Queen. The color is of a uniform pure white; the falls

are very broad, the entire flower being of fine form and substance, carried on a tall stem. Very early. Special Stock, \$9.75 per 100.

W. Verschuur. Standards violet, tinged bronze, falls bronze; an excellent novelty. Special Stock, \$45.00 per 100.

Yellow Queen. Here is one of the best yellows, excellent for early forcing. Thin wiry stems carry fine blooms of which the standards are pale yellow, while the small rounded falls are golden yellow. Splendid keeper. Special Stock, \$9.75 per 100.

IRIS HISPANICA

(Spanish Irises)

We have discarded all Spanish Irises in favor of the superior Dutch Irises with the exception of the following two unusual new frilled types of this family.

Golden Lion. Standards lemon-yellow, falls golden yellow; very beautiful flower, the standards only slightly less frilled than the standards. Tall stem. Special Stock, \$48.00 per 100.

GOLDEN WONDER. Standards and falls golden yellow. A most graceful and attractive flower, very much frilled. Unusual novelty highly recommended for your consideration and trial. Special Stock, \$48.00 per 100.

Only the very highest quality bulbs are most carefully selected for their flowering qualities. Our prices are based upon delivery of such stock exclusively.

LILIES FOR FORCING

LILIES may be had in flower every day in the year. For a special event—a wedding perhaps—or any social function, you can now depend upon having them exactly for the day wanted.

There are two classes—those that may be forced gradually and naturally, which we shall call "fresh" Lilies, and those that have been "retarded," that is, placed in cold storage.

"RETARDED" LILIES

By a successful process of "retarding," which means subjecting the bulbs to a long period of an even low temperature in a cold storage plant, we are able to furnish Lily bulbs for flowering at any time of the year.

Retarded Regale blooms in six to eight weeks, Formosum will flower in from ten to twelve weeks, while Auratum and the Speciosum varieties require from four to six months.

These cold storage bulbs should be unpacked immediately upon arrival and be allowed to thaw out *gradually* and *naturally* in a cool, dark place.

They should be set deeply into deep flower pots on friable soil that contains no lime nor fertilizer of any sort. The pots must be thoroughly watered once and put on a cool, raised bottom in a semi dark place where the bulbs will have ample opportunity to make a good set of roots before any top growth starts. This is essential.

After top growth has started and stem roots are developing, the pots should be filled up with good soil in which the stem roots must feed. This is all important.

LILIUM AURAPIUM Platyphyllum



When the flower buds have developed under cool temperature, then the plants will readily submit to forcing. But not before.

Our Retarded Lilies Have Repeatedly Been Awarded Highest Honors at Important Flower Shows

LILIES FOR FORCING

We list below the choicest dependable varieties for your consideration and selection.

AURATUM PLATYPHYLLUM (Fresh). Special Stock, \$24.00 for case of 25, \$47.00 for case of 50, \$93.00 per 100.

AURATUM PLATYPHYLLUM (Retarded). Special Stock. \$28.00 for case of 25, \$52.00 for case of 50, \$98.00 per 100.

Batmanniæ (Fresh). Glowing apricot self color. For growing in pots, takes four months to flower. Extra selected bulbs, \$15.00 for case of 25, \$28.00 for case of 50, \$55.00 per 100.

CANADENSE. Broad, funnel shaped, drooping flowers, varying from yellow to orange, spotted inside; grace-

ful and pretty. Splendid to grow in quantity for table decoration or for cut flowers. Extra selected bulbs, \$47.50 per 100.

CANDIDUM SPECIOSUM (Fresh). From Southern France. For early flowering in pots or pans or in large tubs for decorative effect. Special Stock, September delivery. \$10.00 per case of 25, \$19.00 per case of 50, \$36.00 per 100.

CANDIDUM (Fresh). From Northern France. For growing in pots, pans or tubs for plunging in the borders, in vacant places or in combination with other plants, or to advance the flowering season. Special Stock, September delivery, \$15.00 per case of 25, \$28.00 per case of 50, \$55.00 per 100.

CROCEUM (Fresh). The true variety. Bright orange flowers, which are carried upright. Very decorative. Extra selected bulbs, \$8.00 for 10, \$75.00 per 100.

FORMOSUM (*Fresh*). Our prize winning type. Size 12 inches, single-nosed bulbs. \$23.00 for 25, \$45.00 for 50, \$85.00 per 100. Special Stock, \$30.00 for 25, \$58.00 for 50, \$115.00 per 100.

FORMOSUM (*Retarded*). Special Stock. \$32.00 for 25, \$61.00 for 50, \$120.00 per 100. A smaller good flowering size, \$23.00 for 25, \$45.00 for 50, \$85.00

per 100.

GIGANTEUM (*Fresh*). Size 11 to 13 inches. \$21.00 for 25, \$39.00 for 50, \$75.00 per 100.

GIGANTEUM (Retarded). Special Stock. \$24.00 for

25, \$45.00 for 50, \$85.00 per 100.

Hansonii (Fresh). In every way most desirable, being not particular in its cultural requirements and extremely handsome in flower. The stem reaches a height of 4 to 5 feet, carrying blossoms 2 inches across, regularly reflexed, the petals being of a soft orange-yellow, spotted more or less with brown. Extra selected bulbs, \$9.75 for 10, \$92.50 per 100.

HARRISII (*Fresh*). Our well known pure strain, which we have successfully used for fifteen years. Size, 11 inches, single-nosed bulbs, \$23.50 for 25, \$45.00 for 50, \$85.00 per 100. Special Stock, \$35.00 for case

of 25, \$70.00 for case of 50.

HENRYI (Fresh). A splendid garden plant, vigorous in its growth, failing very seldom. One of the best border Lilies, reaching over 8 feet and more in height when established, and bearing more than twenty flowers of a rich, deep, orange-yellow. Fine foliage. Does well in both light and heavy loam, but prefers soil with a mixture of peat. Plant very deep, 10 inches. A partially shaded place, sheltered from high winds, suits it best. It is a beautiful Lily to grow under glass, where it has produced flowers



LILIUM REGALE



measuring over 8 inches in diameter. Stem-roots; late fall or early spring planting; August-September flowering. Extra selected bulbs, \$1.25 each, \$10.00 for 10, \$24.00 for case of 25, \$47.00 for case of 50, \$92.00 per 100. Every year we have a few exceedingly large specimen bulbs which we offer in limited number at \$37.50 for case of 25, \$74.00 for case of 50.

Henryi (*Retarded*). Deep rich orange-yellow. Special Stock. \$28.00 for case of 25, \$52.00 for case of 50, \$98.00 per 100.

Japonicum (*Fresh*). This lovely pink Lily does well grown in pots or pans. We usually put three bulbs in a six inch pot, using a deep flower pot. Delivery November-March. Special Stock, \$15.00 per case of 25, \$28.00 per case of 50, \$55.00 per 100.

REGALE (Fresh). Undoubtedly one of the finest Lilies for forcing. For growing in pots or pans for cut flowers or for house decoration; for plunging in the borders in vacant places or to advance the flowering season. November-March delivery. Special Stock, \$40.00 per case of 25, \$78.00 per case of 50.

REGALE (Retarded). One of the most beautiful Lilies for growing in pots for various purposes. For plunging into places in the garden to extend the flowering season into October, pot the bulbs in May. For late fall, winter and early spring flowering, pot up from July first on, not later than September first. Special Stock, \$45.00 for case of 25, \$89.00 for case of 50.

Speciosum Album Krætzeri (Fresh). The true variety as offered by us is very scarce. Beautiful, snowwhite flowers with a golden green stripe through the center of each petal, and anthers of a coppery tint. Alike in the form of the flower and in the way of growing, this Lily is one of the most beautiful we have. Extra selected bulbs, \$1.75 each, \$15.00 for 10, \$145.00 per 100.

Speciosum Album Novum (Fresh). This form is distinct from Krætzeri. Flowers are large of the purest white and beautiful golden yellow anthers. For early June flowering. Extra heavy, selected bulbs, \$10.00 for 10, \$24.00 for case of 25, \$47.00 for case of 50, \$92.00 for case of 100. Smaller, strong flowering bulbs, \$6.00 for 10, \$55.00 per 100.

Speciosum Album (Retarded). Glistening snow white For growing in pots for plunging in vacant places in the borders to extend the flowering season into October, pot the bulbs in late April. For late fall, winter and early spring flowering, pot up from June first on, not later than September first. Special Stock, \$24.00 for ease of 25, \$47.00 for case of 50, \$92.00 per 100.

Speciosum Magnificum (Fresh). (Rubrum Improved). Rich, ruby-carmine, margined white; stout of substance and broad of petal. This variety stands out prominently on account of its vigorous growth as well as the size and depth of coloring of the blooms. For early June flowering. Extra heavy, selected bulbs, \$10.00 for 10, \$24.00 for case of 25, \$47.00 for case of 50, \$92.00 for case of 100. Smaller, strong flowering bulbs, \$6.00 for 10, \$55.00 per 100.

Speciosum Magnificum (Retarded). Rich, ruby-carmine with white margin. For growing in pots for plunging in various parts of the flower garden to extend the flowering season into October, pot the bulbs in May. For late fall, winter and early spring flowering, pot the bulbs from June first on, not later than September first. Special Stock. \$26.00 for case of 25, \$51.00 for case of 50, \$98.00 per 100. Smaller good bulbs at correspondingly lower prices. We prefer to have you grow our Special Stock.

Speciosum Melpomene (Fresh). The delicate beauty of the finer colored flowers makes this variety most



LILIUM SULPHUREUM



desirable. Deep carmine-crimson, intensified by a narrow margin of white. For early June flowering. Extra heavy, selected bulbs, 10 for \$10.00, \$24.00 for case of 25, \$47.00 for case of 50, \$92.00 for case of 100. Smaller, strong flowering bulbs, \$6.00 for 10, \$55.00 per 100.

Speciosum Melpomene (Retarded.) Deep carmine-crimson intensified by a narrow margin of white. For growing in pots for plunging in the borders to extend the flowering season into October, pot the bulbs in May. For late fall, winter and early spring flowering, pot the bulbs from June first on, not later than September first. Special Stock, \$26.00 for case of 25, \$51.00 for case of 50, \$98.00 per 100. Smaller good bulbs at correspondingly lower prices. We prefer to have you grow our Special Stock.

SULPHUREUM (Retarded.) A splendid Lily with large tubular creamy yellow flowers, which have a rich yellow throat. Exceedingly beautiful. This Lily does very well from retarded bulbs; pot the bulbs from June first on, not later than October first. Extra selected bulbs, \$35.00 for 10, \$78.00 for case of 25. A smaller bulb, \$20.00 for 10, \$175.00 per 100.

Testaceum (*Fresh*). This beautiful Lily is also known as "Excelsum" and as the "Nankeen" Lily. One of the choicest Lilies. The dull apricot tone, set off by orange anthers, puts it in a color class by itself. There is a tender warmth that must be allowed for when thinking of the color of this charming Lily. It is the most graceful of all.

In combination with light-shaded Delphiniums or with the Madonna Lily, which it resembles in the disposal of its leaves on the stem and in a certain grace of habit—it is most effective. Extra heavy, selected bulbs, \$38.00 for 10, \$375.00 per 100. Smaller but strong flowering bulbs, \$28.00 for 10, \$275.00 per 100.

UMBELLATUM GOLDEN FLEECE. (Fresh). A beautiful and distinct variety. A striking break from the usual red and orange tones of the Umbellatum group, this fine variety has large umbellate heads of clear golden yellow flowers with a suggestion of scarlet at the tips of the petals. Extra heavy, selected bulbs, \$17.50 for 10, \$170.00 per 100.

Umbellatum Grandiflorum. (Fresh). A very freeflowering variety of easy culture. Carries large umbellate heads of light orange-red flowers. Extra se-

lected bulbs, \$5.00 for 10, \$45.00 per 100.

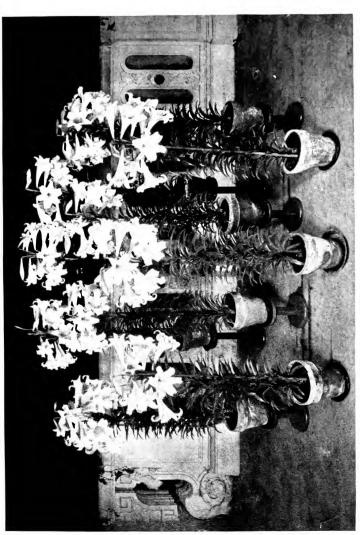
UMBELLATUM SPLENDIDUM. (Fresh). A magnificent variety growing 2 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet high, with large umbellate heads of brilliant vermilion-orange flowers shading to a rich coppery crimson tone. As a forcing plant, the color effect is most striking and unusual. The flowers are unspotted or nearly so, and the points of the petals slightly reflexed. Extra heavy, selected bulbs, \$10.00 for 10, \$95.00 per 100.

For other rare and beautiful Lilies see our complete illustrated book entitled, "Beauty from Bulbs."

"Flowers from all heavens, and lovelier than their names, Grew side by side."

-TENNYSON.





SCHEEFERS' LILIUM HARRISH AWARDED FURST PRIZE IN STRONG COMPETITION INTERNATIONAL FLOWER SHOW, NEW YORK CITY



IMPORTANT

If you will kindly state total quantity of Lilies required in each variety, telling us just when you wish the Lilies to flower, you may leave the question of shipping dates with full confidence to us. We shall then make shipments to you at the right times as well as of the right material.

Many of our clients receive weekly shipments from us during the larger part of the year so that they may have fine Lilies every day in the year.

The term "Special Stock" covers the finest bulbs that each season produces, the heaviest, largest and best bulbs selected out of these. In the production of the finest Lily plants the initial cost of the bulb is really the smallest part of the cost of production. It costs no more to grow the best bulb than it costs to grow the next smaller size. It takes the same amount of care and handling, just as much room and material. It is economy to grow the very best. Our prices have been established on delivery of this Superior, Special Stock, which has won First Prize whenever exhibited.

Our Lilies Have Repeatedly Been Awarded Highest Honors at Important Flower Shows

In order to obtain well ripened, thoroughly cured bulbs that will produce maximum result, many of our Lilies do not reach New York until late November and December. By potting the bulbs immediately upon arrival, giving them plenty of opportunity for root action, they will give the best sastisfaction. With exception of Lilium Candidum and Testaceum, all the varieties offered should be grown in deep flower pots; these containers should be set on a raised platform affording perfect drainage.

LILIES OF THE VALLEY

("Excellenta")

Retarded from cold storage for delivery at any time of the year, to flower twenty one days from "potting up."

The celebrated Excellenta strain is so well known to flower show exhibitors and judges alike and to those who wish the maximum result, that it requires no introduction, nor comment, ALWAYS having carried off FIRST PRIZE in any competition.

Shrewd users have learned by experience that our Excellenta strain proves the more economical considering the high percentage of perfect bloom and the superiority of the flowers.

In view of the fact that only a limited quantity of this fine stock is available, we would urge you to make your reservations very early covering your requirements for the entire year. We are always sold out early in the season; if you reserve the total quantity that you believe you will need for the year, you can give us later the specific shipping dates or make changes in your reservation. We find that we have always demand for any portion of a reservation that later may not be wanted.

Case of 100 pips, \$12.00; case of 250 pips, \$21.00; case of 500 pips, \$41.00.

We handle no other Lilies of the Valley but our "Excellenta" strain, and we are the exclusive distributors of this special stock.

GLADIOLI FOR EARLY FORCING

For several years we have been experimenting with Gladioli with the result that we can now promise these to you very late in the year.

We have the Southern Carifornia stock for early winter and spring flowering; we furnish our own stock for early and late summer flowering, and by a special process we successfully "retard" our own bulbs for early and late fall flowering.

To advance and extend the flowering season in the garden, these Gladioli are invaluable; grown in "pint berry" baskets, wire cages or in pots in frames, they may be plunged into vacant places in the borders or they may be grown indoors for cutting.

Again they are of considerable value for flowering after the indoor Chrysanthemums, November-December. For this purpose the bulbs should be treated like Tulips; get them thoroughly rooted. Grow them cool. Later a Carnation temperature may be given.



"Flowers worthy of Paradise."
—MILTON

THE GLADIOLUS IN THE GREENHOUSE-

MOST Gladiolus corms grown in the United States are harvested during the months of September and October and to attempt to plant this stock during December is a mistake, as the bulbs have not reached the end of their dormant state. To obtain early midwinter bloom, bulbs that have flowered in the spring and have been harvested in early summer must be considered and these are offered here in many well known varieties.

Many gardeners find it advantageous to make successive plantings starting their first lot in the early part of September and others at intervals of two to three weeks, which they claim produces a succession of bloom from January on when flowers are at a

premium.

The proper consideration is the right location, for which a bright sunny greenhouse is preferable, one adapted to growing Carnations and Snapdragons, where benches 5 to 6 inches deep are best, the bulbs being planted at a depth of 2 to 3 inches. If the bulbs have been kept in a cool cellar they should sprout promptly at planting time and this sprouting may be somewhat advanced if bulbs were soaked in slightly warm water for a day or two before. The more light and air Gladioli receive the better they will thrive.

Young, deep strong bulbs, 1½ inch and up in-diameter are the best; water moderately until the growth is well above the soil, that is up to its fifth or sixth leaf, after which with the swelling of the flower stalk they may be watered and fertilized more freely. The correct temperature during the first few weeks should not be less than 45 degrees, nor more than 52 degrees at night,

the ideal temperature being about 48 to 50 degrees. The fact that this is also Carnation temperature is the main reason why Gladioli thrive so well among them.

Causes of blindness are the following:—Temperature too warm at start, bulbs not rested enough, planted too close, improper watering, too shallow soil, trying to force the same bulbs twice and some varieties not suitable. We offer the following named varieties as being the best:—

GLADIOLI—SOUTHERN STOCK

(For late fall and winter flowering)
Plant from August first on.

ALICE TIPLADY. Fine large flowering Primulinus; beautiful orange-saffron, wide open flower; many open at one time. Case of 25, \$3.50; Case of 50, 6.00; \$10.00 per 100.

Anna Eberius. Deep rhodamine-purple, shading into deep bordeaux center. Large blooms on tall spike. Case of 25. \$4.00; Case of 50. \$7.50; \$14.00 per 100.

Byron L. Smith. Refined lavender-pink on white ground. Like a choice cattleya orchid. Ruffled. Case of 25, \$5.00; Case of 50, \$9.50; \$18.00 per 100.

E. J. Shaylor. Fine deep rose-pink; large ruffled blooms on tall spike. Case of 25, \$4.00; Case of 50, \$7.50: \$14.00 per 100.

HALLEY. Very early delicate salmon-pink. Large, well opened flowers, nicely placed on long graceful spike. Case of 25, \$3.50; case of 50, \$6.50; \$12.00 per 100.

HENRY FORD. Very dark rhodamine-purple shading into deeper tones near the center; a very clear color. Case of 25, \$5.50; case of 50, \$10.50; \$20.00 per 100.

LA COURONNE. Creamy yellow, lower petals shading to deep yellow at the base, blotched and stippled brilliant searlet. Of outstanding merit and very distinct. One of the showiest and most pleasing of the blotched varieties. Case of 25, \$7.00; case of 50, \$13.50; \$26.00 per 100.

Maiden's Blush. Unquestionably one of the finest pink Gladioli of the Primulinus type. It is a strong grower, bearing medium to large flowers of a most exquisite shade of maiden's blush-pink. Delicate, dainty, beautiful. A profuse bloomer, and most effective. Very decorative for cutting. Case of 50, \$6.50; \$12.00 per 100.

MARY PICKFORD. A grand flower and spike of most delicate creamy white, throat finest soft sulphur-yellow, stem and calyx also white. Case of 25, \$2.50; case of

50, \$4.75; \$9.00 per 100.

Mrs. Dr. Norton. Exceptionally and delicately beautiful color. Pale flesh-pink with primrose center, tinted rosy on lower petals. Case of 25, \$4.00; case of 50 \$7.50; \$14.00 per 100.

Mrs. Francis King. Bright salmon-rose shaded scarlet; velvety crimson blotch on lower petals. Case of

25, \$3.50; case of 50, \$6.50; \$12.00 per 100.

Mrs. F. Pendleton, Jr. Salmon-pink, heavily blotched with blood red in throat. Always a spectacular variety. Case of 25, \$3.50; case of 50, \$6.50; \$12.00 per 100.

Mrs. Frederick C. Peters. Large rose-lilac with crimson blotch bordered white. Case of 25, \$6.00; case

of 50, \$11.50; \$22.00 per 100.

MURIEL. One of the finest and best blue varieties under cultivation. Beautiful light blue with small darker spot. Case of 25, \$14.00; case of 50, \$20.00; \$38.00 per 100.

ORANGE QUEEN. Large flowering variety similar in form to the very desirable Alice Tiplady; blooms wide open, not "hooded." An entirely new color; warm apricot-orange. Strong, vigorous grower. Case of 25, \$7.00; case of 50, \$13.00; \$25.00 per 100.

SALMON BEAUTY. Very large flowering of a rich salmon with yellow throat. Awarded Certificate of Merit by Massachusetts Horticultural Society and winner of many other high awards. Case of 25, \$4.50; case of 50, \$8.00; \$15.00 per 100.

Souvenir. Large flowers well placed on a tall graceful spike, of a beautiful rich canary yellow. The best yellow of this type. Case of 25, \$4.00; case of 50.

\$7.50; \$14.00 per 100.

Virginia. Extremely effective, brilliantly colored variety. Large scarlet self color, often called "The Scarlet Princeps." Case of 25, \$4.50; case of 50, \$8.00; \$15.00 per 100.

GLADIOLUS COLVILLEI

Dwarf early varieties invaluable for pot culture or for growing in boxes for cutting during the winter months and early spring.

APOLLO. Salmon, scarlet blotch, \$9.00 per 100.

BLUSHING BRIDE. White, flaked crimson, \$9.00 per 100. CALIFORNIA PINK PERFECTION. La France Rose pink \$9.00 per 100.

FEBRUARY OLD ROSE. Vigorous grower. Old rose-pink,

\$9.00 per 100.

FIERY KNIGHT. Brilliant crimson. \$9.00 per 100.

Peachblossom. Delicate pink, very charming in color and marking. \$9.00 per 100.

PINK PERFECTION. Light shell pink. \$9.00 per 100. QUEEN WILHELMINA. Very attractive lavender. \$9.00

per 100.

Rosy Gem. Beautiful rosy pink. \$9.00 per 100.

THE BRIDE. Very lovely pure white, \$9.00 per 100.

Hybrids embracing many unusual pastel shades never before exhibited, \$12.00 per 100.

SOUTH AFRICAN SPECIES

TRISTIS. A beautiful species. Novel and pretty for earliest forcing. Very lovely, sweet scented, lemonyellow flowers on tall, wiry stems. The ideal cut flower. \$15.00 per 100.

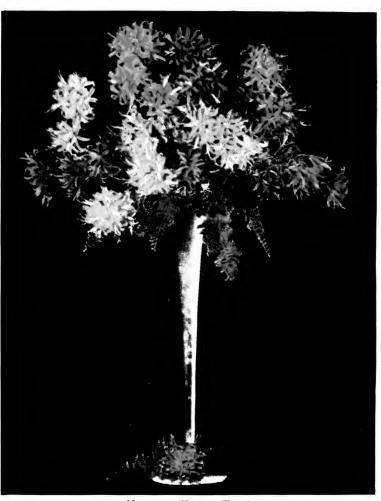
For growing in baskets to plunge out of doors for spring, summer and fall flowering, any of the varieties selected from our regular spring catalogue may be successfully used at correspondingly lower prices.



"God gave all men all earth to love,
But since our hearts are small,
Ordained for each one spot should prove
Beloved over all;
That as He watched creation's birth,
So we, in God-like mood,
May of our love create our earth
And see that it is good."

-RUDYARD KIPPLING.





NERINES (HYBRID TYPE)

Miscellaneous Rare and Choice Bulbs and Roots for Growing Under Glass, in Winter Gardens or in Lath Houses

Responding to the great demand from the increasing number of Garden Lovers all over this country, we have decided to list this season a limited number of the rarer, newer—and in some cases little known—flowers of a bulbous nature.

It is somewhat at variance with the American flower and garden lover, who at all times wishes to be up to date and asks for the finest that may be had, that these

bulbous plants are not better known.

Visitors to Europe and those who have come to the great provincial exhibitions where these floral gems can be seen at their highest point of perfection and cultural finish frequently ask, can they not be grown in

America and where shall we procure them?

All the varieties given in this list are of easy culture—only care should be particualrly given the bulbs when first potted. One good watering after they are potted—then allowed to stand until signs of growth are evident, remembering that these bulbs (some exceedingly small like Achimenes) have no roots so cannot be expected to take up the moisture in the soil like a well established plant.

Good drainage is essential; it is suggested that your pots are properly "crocked"—that is drainage such as broken pot-shreds for instance, are used at the bottom

of the pot.

The soil should be "light"—about half good decomposed turfy loam—one fourth screened peat, one eighth sharp river sand, and one eighth good decomposed cow manure.

When potted keep partially shaded—till the bulbs start into growth; then bring "gradually" to the light—water sparingly, till pots are well filled with roots.

In a general way treat as you would other tuberous rooted or bulbous plants; if handled in large quantities put your bulbs into "flats"—in a mixture of sphagnum moss, sifted peat and sand; when well rooted, "pot up," using the above suggested methods.

ACHIMENES

A charming family of plants with brilliantly colored elegant flowers making a very pleasing decoration in the greenhouse from early Summer onwards. May be grown in pots or hanging baskets. Pot in rich light soil in Spring (10 bulbs to a 5 inch pot) and plunge in gentle bottom heat. Eleven fine named varieties. \$19.00 per 100.

AGAPANTHUS UMBELLATUS (Blue Lily of the Nile)

These "African Lilies" are favorite plants for the cool conservatory or the terrace garden, but their handsome foliage and large heads of blue flowers deserve a much wider use. Fine ornamental plant, producing, when established, clusters of from twenty to thirty bright blue flowers carried on long stalks.

Established plants in tubs, \$15.00 to \$50.00 each.

AMARYLLIS

The Amaryllis are perhaps the most beautiful and gorgeous bulbous plants under cultivation—with their strong, erect stems, two to three feet high—immense flowers arrayed in magnificent colorings, often five to seven, which succeed each other, two or three being open at one time so that the flowering period is frequently six weeks and more after potting the bulbs. They are of easy culture, exceedingly easy to force into bloom within a few weeks.

AMARYLLIS HIPPEASTRUM

We are offering a strain of Hybrids grown in Southern California producing flowers of surpassing beauty. They are the result of hybridizing between the finest types, extending over a period of many years. They range in color from the pure white ground color with its markings of rose, red, etc., to rich orange, scarlet, cherry, bright red, crimson, maroon, mottled, striped, etc. The flowers are of enormous size. For the spring exhibitions, or for house and conservatory decoration they are invaluable.

We offer extra heavy flowering bulbs of this Special Strain at \$18.00 for 10, \$175.00 per 100.

We also have a limited number of rare and unusual seedlings, produced from our original EXHIBITION COLLECTION which was awarded Highest Honors and a Special Gold Medal at the International Flower Shows of 1917 and 1921. This famous collection was for two years on exhibition in the Missouri Botanical Gardens, St. Louis, Mo., and is now owned by Pierre S. du Pont, Esq., of Wilmington, Del.

These seedlings are now offered at \$50.00 for 10, \$480.00 per 100.

White Seedlings selected from this same collection, \$25.00 each, \$245.00 for 10.

ANEMONES

These popular flowers of French origin are exceedingly useful as a decorative plant and fine for cutting. When planted in pots, place twelve or more in a cluster and store away, if possible, in a coldframe until February; if carefully watered, when brought into the house, they will flower abundantly.

Anemone St. Brigid. A very lovely and distinct strain, of graceful habit and producing large flowers mostly semi double with finely divided petals, of the most brilliant colors, all showing a handsome blue-back central blotch; greatly prized for cutting. These Anemones like a cool and not too dry soil. Splendid Mixed Seedlings, containing rich and brilliant colors. \$10.00 per 100.

Anemone de Cæn. The single flowering strain covering a wide range of brilliant colors. \$10.00 per 100.

SUPERIOR MIXTURE. We consider this the finest strain of single flowering Anemones as yet raised. The plants are taller in growth than the St. Brigid and more single. They contain many fine shades of blue, white, and scarlet. \$12.00 per 100.

BEGONIAS

Tuberous-Rooted Begonias for Hanging Baskets for summer and fall flowering

For finest effect we suggest that you plant three tubers of one variety to each basket; use natural leaf-mould; water frequently with a fine rose spray. Protect against sun and draft.

Collection of finest named varieties. \$30.00 for 10, \$295.00 per 100.

Tuberous-Rooted Begonias for fall and winter flowering

Collection of finest named varieties. \$35.00 for 10, \$345.00 per 100.

CALADIUMS

(Fancy leaved Brazilian)

There is an increased demand for these plants, so easy to grow and so valuable and useful for decorative work.

Our collection is known as the finest in existence and we offer below ten varieties carefully selected from over seventy choice plants.

AGUAPE. Deep transparent rose center turning into delicate pink towards edge, metallic green border, heavy scarlet-red ribs.

APPLE BLOSSOM. Delicately transparent leaves apple blossom color, narrow dark green border and ribs.

CANDIDUM. Transparent pure white leaves, bordered narrow green with green ribs.

CRESCENT CITY. Very showy leaves with partly transparent deep rose center and slightly mottled green and white interspaces, attractive green border.

FRED BAUSE. Center of deep rose overlaid with purplish sheen red ribs and bronze green border.

Mrs. W. B. Haldemann. Bright red center, narrow green border, mottled white.

Mrs. Sanders. Large round leave heavily blotched, transparent deep rose on dark green background.

Poecile Anglais. Transparent deep crimson center bluish tint with metal green border.

Precioba. Rose center, heavy scarlet red ribs, green

and pink interspaces, moss green border.

TRIOMPHE DE L' EXPOSITION. Large round leaves, bright crimson center, scarlet ribs on attractive green background.

Extra selected bulbs. \$5.00 for 10, \$45.00 per 100. The entire collection, ten bulbs of each, 100 bulbs total. \$43.00.

CALLAS

These highly decorative plants are becoming increasingly popular.

ETHIOPICA (White Calla). Heaviest roots, \$16.00 for 25; \$30.00 for 50; \$58.00 per 100.

ELLIOTTIANA (Yellow Calla). Heaviest roots, \$16.00

for 25; \$30.00 for 50; \$58.00 per 100.

Godfrey (*Devoniensis*). White; smaller flowers than Æthiopica but more profuse bloomer. Heaviest roots, \$16.00 for 25; \$30.00 for 50; \$58.00 per 100.

DICENTRA SPECTABILIS

(Dielytra spectabilis)

The Lyre Flower, Bleeding Heart, or "Locks and Keys." A very graceful pot-plant for greenhouse and room decoration, and valuable for cutting. The elegant pendant branches are loaded with heart shaped bright rose-colored flowers, and furnished with graceful delicate green foliage. Extra heavy forcing clumps, \$9.00 for 10, \$85.00 per 100.

EUCHARIS AMAZONICA

Eucharis in the Greek means—very grateful; it is at times known as the "Amazon Lily" or the "Star of Bethlehem," the latter name being also applied to the

Ornithogalums.

The variety Amazonica is used for forcing and decorative purposes; the flowers are of a chaste white about four inches across, six pointed, borne upon stems twelve to eighteen inches above the foliage, which is evergreen and handsome at all times. Like the Calla and other old fashioned plants, of recent years it has been regaining popularity, but stock is scarce. Specimen plants, \$2.50 to \$10.00 each.

FRITILLARIA IMPERIALIS

(Crown Imperials)

A very charming group of lily-like plants. The old fashioned Crown Imperials are a splendid addition to the forcing bulb family. Very effective grown in pots MAXIMA. Red. Special Stock for forcing in pots. \$12.00 for 25, \$23.00 for 50, \$45.00 per 100.

MAXIMA. Golden Yellow. Special Stock for forcing in pots. \$6.00 for 10, \$57.50 per 100.

GLORIOSAS

(The Climbing Lily of South Africa)

This interesting plant should be started in sphagnum moss until growth is observed; then place in its permanent pan in a mixture of leaf mould and sandy soil, using three bulbs to an eight inch pan. Place the bulbs in such a position that the growth will face towards the edge of the pan. Will flower in about four months. This is also a very beautiful plant for outdoors in Southern California and Florida.

ROTHCHILDIANA. Scarlet and gold; a splendid plant for pot culture. \$3.50 each, \$34.00 for 10.

Superba. Fine crimson and yellow. \$3.50 each; \$34.00 for 10.

GLOXINEAS

AWARDED NUMEROUS GOLD MEDALS

The Gloxinia is one of the most beautiful of all flowering bulbs for greenhouse culture and house decoration. In the hands of the hybridist a race far superior in decorative value to the original tropical American species has been evolved. The large well shaped flowers are held boldly erect, and their velvety texture, brilliant colors and handsome markings are always much admired.

We have been fortunate enough to secure a very fine collection of English varieties, flowers much larger than the usual type, some as much as $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches across. These make plants of correct type and habit, fine foliage

covering the pots, flower spikes upright, free growers and free flowering; wonderful exhibition specimens, prize winners wherever exhibited.

Exhibition collection, one each of twenty named

varieties, \$68.00.

Exhibition varieties, \$35.00 for 10, \$300.00 per 100. A fine collection of assorted colors for general use, \$10.00 for 10, \$95.00 per 100.

HELLEBORUS

NIGER. The Christmas Rose. Beautiful single white; flowers in midwinter. Comes into flower naturally about Christmas. Extra heavy clumps, \$13.00 for 10, \$125.00 per 100.

IXIAS (Corn Lilies)

Beautiful bulbous plant with most showy and attractive flowers; extremely useful for cutting and for bouquets. They like a compost well mixed with charcoal.

ALTHEA. Splendid white, purplish crimson eye.

Azure blue, large maroon eye.

Bridesmaid. Clear white, crimson eye.

BUCEPHALUS MAJOR. Rich crimson.

CONQUEROR. Clear orange, yellow and black.

CRATEROIDES MAJOR. Bright scarlet.

Englishton. Rosy carmine.

GOLDEN DROP. Dark yellow, black eye.

HOGARTH. Cream color, outside dark crimson, dark brown eye.

INVINCIBLE. Bright crimson, small black eye.

JENNY. Cerise.

ROSEA PLENA (Wonder). Rose, double.

VIRIDIFLORA. Green, black eye.

VULCAN. Crimson, shaded orange.

Extra selected forcing bulbs, \$8.50 per 100.





NERINE (HYBRID TYPE)

LACHENALIAS

(Cape Cowslips)

Very beautiful greenhouse plants flowering in early Spring, with curiously spotted leaves and handsome flower spikes. A very fine effect is obtained by planting Lachenalias in hanging baskets for green house decoration. \$25.00 per 100.

MUSCARI

(Grape Hyacinths)

Botryoides Albus. Pure white. Excellent for forcing. Extra heavy bulbs, especially selected for forcing pur-

poses. \$5.00 per 100; \$45.00 per 1,000.

HEAVENLY BLUE. Bright clear blue. The best for forcing. Extra heavy bulbs, especially selected for forcing purposes. \$5.00 per 100; \$45.00 per 1,000.

NERINES

The most beautiful and easiest grown of Autumn flowering bulbs for the greenhouse. Few plants can compare with Nerines for their brilliant and attractive colors, which form a pleasing contrast to prevailing tints for that season of the year. The flowers are produced in umbels of 6 to 24 blooms, and are borne on stout stems varying in height from 1 to 2 feet. In color they range from dark red, vivid crimson, cerise and scarlet to salmon, coral-rose, pink, blush and white as well as shades of mauve.

The varieties we offer are mostly new seedlings, comprising many new colors and forms; they are free bloomers, and in some cases of taller growth, and with larger flowers than any of the older types.

Our Nerines have been awarded several Gold Medals at leading exhibitions. Flowering pot plants, each \$4.00,

\$38.00 for 10. Exhibition collections available. Please write us for particulars.

We deliver Nerines in August which will flower from October to December.

OXALIS

(Wood sorrel)

Large Flowering. We have a very fine strain of these Oxalis. Flowers are large, and they may be had in blossom, by successional plantings, from October until May. We have four colors—Lavender, Pink, White and Yellow. \$12.00 per 100.

BERMUDA BUTTERCUP. Bright sunny yellow. \$12.00 per 100.

ORNITHOGALUMS

ARABICUM. Commonly known as the "Star of Bethlehem"; tall spikes of umbellated flowers, about two inches across, white with black eye and pistil. May be forced the same as Hyacinths; very useful for cutting or decorative purposes. \$7.00 per 100.

THYRSOIDES. A beautiful species from South Africa; tall spikes of umbellated flowers measuring three to four inches across. White with brown eye. Lasts many weeks in flower. \$25.00 per 100.

RANUNCULUS

(Scheepers' Supreme Strain)

This strain is undoubtedly the most beautiful of all Ranunculus. Light, feathery, poppy-like flowers are artistically carried on elegant, wiry, tall stems. There is a great variety of beautiful pastel shadings, and of wonderful forms. Absolutely different from any other Ranunculus and far superior. Only limited stock available. \$29.00 per 100.

EGGLESTON. \$7.50 per 100.

FLORENTINE. \$10.00 per 100.

PALESTINE. \$15.00 per 100.

PASTEL. \$10.00 per 100.

SELECTED HYBRIDS. A selected strain containing a great variety of colorings in finest shades. \$12.00 per 100, \$115.00 per 1,000.

Telecote Giant Hybrids (French Mixture). A mixture of finest hybrids. \$7.50 per 100.

SCILLAS

- Scilla Campanulata Blue. Porcelain blue candelabra shaped bells. May be forced the same as Hyacinths. Excellent for cutting. Extra heavy forcing bulbs, \$6.75 per 100.
- Scilla Campanulata Rosea. This is a soft lilac-rose form of this type. Extra heavy forcing bulbs, \$7.00 per 100.
- Scilla Campanulata White. The pure white form. Extra heavy forcing bulbs, \$7.00 per 100.
- Scilla Siberica. Very fine porcelain blue. The easiest of the Scillas to force. Makes an attractive pot plant. \$8.00 per 100, \$75.00 per 1,000.

SPARAXIS

A race of Cape bulbs with large flowers, remarkable for exceptional brilliancy of color. The varieties offered are mixed forms of Sparaxis tricolor. \$12.00 per 100.

SPIREAS

(Fresh Stock. Fall Delivery.)

CLARA BUTT. Lovely pure pink shaded apricot.

DEUTSCHLAND. Extra fine white.

GLADSTONE. White.

GLORIA. Bright pink.

PEACH BLOSSOM. Deep pink.

PRINCESS MARY. Rose.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA. Light pink.

RHINELANDER. Deep rose-pink.

RUBENS. Rosy Red.

\$6.75 per case of 5 heaviest clumps. \$9.00 per case of 10 heaviest clumps.

SPIREAS

(Retarded, from Cold Storage) (Delivery at any time)

By a special process of cold storing we are able to furnish Spirea clumps so that you may have them in flower at any time of the year. It is necessary to select only the very heaviest clumps with many strong flowering eyes, which will produce many flower spikes. Our prices are based upon delivery of such superior quality only.

CLARA BUTT. Lovely pure pink shaded apricot.

DEUTSCHLAND. Extra fine white.

GLADSTONE. White.

GLORIA. Bright pink.

PEACH BLOSSOM. Deep pink.

PRINCESS MARY. Rose.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA. Light pink.

RHINELANDER. Deep rose pink.

Rubens. Rosy red.

\$10.00 per case of 5 heaviest clumps. \$15.00 per case of 10 heaviest clumps.

TRITONIAS

The flowers of Tritonias resemble Freesias excepting that they grow much larger. The bulbs should be potted in fall and kept for several weeks in a cool dark place before they are gradually brought into heat. They do not grow very rapidly, and should not be kept very warm; they are usually ready to flower in March. Plant them with the tops slightly protruding from the earth; it is well to set six or eight bulbs in a six inch pot or pan.

CARDINALIS. A rich deep red. \$15.00 per 100.
CROCATA. The orange form. \$15.00 per 100.
CROCATA ALBA. White. \$15.00 per 100.
CROCATA SALMON KING. Fine salmon-pink flowers. \$25.00 per 100.

In fine named varieties. \$35.00 per 100.

TUBEROSES

(Fresh.)

EXCELSIOR. True Double Pearl. Extra heavy bulbs, size 8 inches, \$15.00 per 100.

TUBEROSES

(Retarded, from Cold Storage)

By a special process of cold storing we are able to furnish these Tuberoses for late fall and early winter flowering. The bulbs of our "Retarded" stock will bloom within two months after potting. A valuable acquisition.

EXCELSIOR. True Double Pearl. Special Stock. \$28.00 per 100.

WATSONIAS

We offer a collection of Mrs. J. H. Bullard's celebrated Hybrid Watsonias, fine named varieties, in shades of Lavender, Mauve, Orange, Pink, Red, Salmon, Scarlet and White.

One each of ten named varieties......\$ 5.00 Ten each of ten named varieties.....\$40.00 Mixed, \$3.00 for 10, \$25.00 per 100.

For the newer sorts of Mrs. J. H. Bullard's Hybrid Watsonias of which we have the exclusive stock, we refer to our special Price List of Watsonias, which will be mailed upon request.



"If little labor, little are our gains,
Man's fortunes are according to his pains."
—HERRICK.

A MESSAGE TO OUR CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN CLIENTS

To our clients in California and South of the Mason and Dixon line, our Forcing Bulb Catalogue may seem incongruous—from the fact that so many of the varieties of bulbs mentioned therein are hardy in these territories.

In California the "lath house" supersedes the greenhouse in many places—but in these lath houses many varieties of bulbs may be brought to perfection, if grown and potted the same as for greenhouse culture.

In California, where there is almost perpetual summer and much drought (except where irrigated) there are seasons when the Tulip, Hyacinth and Narcissus do not reach the perfection of those planted in a more northern latitude if planted in the open; root development is not so free, and this is the essential point in successful bulb growing and flowering.

In the southern latitudes bulbs should be planted an inch or so deeper than the depth usually practiced in the north, outside.

Bulbs for forcing should be kept in the cellars—"pits" or bulb rooms, and retarded as long as possible till the roots have filled the pots or "bulb flats," which should be at least six inches deep. They may then be brought into the open, or placed in the lath or other "houses" and nature will take care of the rest. Never allow the roots to get dry so that the soil will pulverize. Keep shaded as much as possible from direct sunlight.

We might say again and again and repeat, bulbs for forcing at all times must have good roots and root action for successful flowering, and this applies more especially to bulbs forced in a climate where freezing is the exception and a higher temperature the rule.

"WREXHAM" OR HOLLYHOCK-FLOWERED DELPHINIUMS

Watkin Samuel's celebrated Delphiniums have been well known and famous for years and have secured many gold medals and other high awards wherever exhibited.

The flowers are very large and the colors range from the most delicate Delphinium belladonna blue to the deepest blues and purples and intermediate shades. The spikes of flower are long and as the illustration shows, somewhat "pyramidal" in shape. The foliage is very strong and healthy and entirely free from mildew.

The seed we are now offering is the new crop of 1929, taken from hand-fertilized plants (named varieties) and was collected personally by Mr. Watkin Samuel in his private garden in Wrexham, England. We are the sole agents and distributors of Mr. Watkin Samuel's Delphinium seed and it is sent to us directly by him.

The seed may be sown any time up to February for next Summer's flowering (most growers prefer January sowing).

The supply of this Delphinium seed is limited; and we will fill orders in rotation until stock is exhausted.

Watkin Samuel's "Wrexham" or Hollyhock-Flowered Delphinium Seed:

Collection (9 varieties) in separate packets, about 100 seeds in each packet, or about 900 seeds for \$40.00

One-half the above collection for	2	20.00
Packet of (200 seeds) 9 varieties mixed	d for 1	10.00
Packet of (100 goods) 0 varieties mixed	1 for	5.00



WATKIN SAMUEL'S HOLLYHOCK-FLOWERED DELPHINIUMS OFFERED EXCLUSIVELY BY US

